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Big crowds for Pethy Carnival

THE annual South Petherton Carnival was another big success and organisers were thanking the powers-that-be that the parade was able to enjoy dry weather.

The cavalcade of floats, masqueraders and majorettes, along with the Bournemouth Carnival Band and the carnival royalty of eight-year-old carnival princess Bethany Bisgrove and nine-year-old carnival prince Oliver Coulson, made its way through the streets of South Petherton and was watched by hundreds of people.

■ ALFIE Windsor (centre) and Royals CC with Stop Me And Buy One

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'Positive step' in bid for devolution deal

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A DEVOLUTION deal has taken a "very positive" step closer.

Leaders from the South West met a government minister with responsibility for devolution to discuss the possible deal.

They describe the meeting with Jake Berry MP as very positive in setting out the next steps for a combined authority, which would see increased powers move from Westminster to Somerset, Devon, Torbay and Plymouth, known as the Heart of the South West.

The leaders pressed that local people are best placed to make decisions for local communities and pushed for clarity on the government's position on devolution in areas like the Heart of the South West.

Chairman designate of the shadow joint authority, Cllr David Fothergill, leader of Somerset County Council, said: "I am pleased by the minister's response and his recognition of the work we have done to develop a strong partnership.

"Jake Berry MP confirmed the scale of the deal is dependent on our level of ambition – and collectively we have plenty of that.

"Other regions with devolved powers have already seen benefits of up to £30 million a year.

"This means the new combined authority will have the budget and autonomy to help create better jobs, productivity, skills and training and a stronger economy for our region.

"These discussions are an excellent step forward for our partnership which is strong, united and ambitious to do as much as possible for our economy and communities."

If approved, the new authority – made up of 17 local authorities, two National Parks, the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership and three clinical commissioning groups – would take responsibility for extra powers and budgets, and would hope to deliver benefits for all residents including higher productivity, better-paid jobs, improved road, rail and broadband links and more affordable homes for the region.

There could also be tailored support for growing businesses and the creation of a centre of excellence for skills development.

At the meeting, Mr Berry confirmed his view that elected mayors aren't necessarily appropriate for the Heart of the South West devolution plans.

All the authorities worked together to jointly submit a productivity prospectus to the government, outlining the region's case, in February 2016.

Cllr Fothergill said: "The timing of our draft productivity plan puts us in an ideal position to be able to clearly say what we want to achieve for our area, how we can work together to step up our activity and align our resources, and what more we need from government to help us succeed.

"I look forward to beginning formal discussions with government and progressing to a really strong deal for our area."

The full prospectus can be found on the county council website at somersetnewsroom.com/devolution.

YEOVIL NEWS THIS WEEK

A FANTASTIC night of pizza and fundraising brought in around £800 for the charities being supported by the mayor of Yeovil. Cllr Darren Shutler and the mayoress, Anna Shutler, held an Italian night at the Nuova Italia Ristorante & Pizzeria in Ilchester. Around 100 diners – including Cllr Mike Best, chairman of the district council – attended.

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CHARD NEWS THIS WEEK

HORSES Toffee and Minty are a big success story for Ferne Animal Sanctuary near Chard. Back in April, the sanctuary was asked to rescue two very unwell horses from a badly managed livery yard. And thanks to months of loving care at Ferne, the stallions are back to good health.

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ILMINSTER NEWS THIS WEEK

ILMINSTER has a population of just 5,800 people and is 5,860 miles away from Vietnam. So you'd think that the chance of two people from the town, who were strangers, bumping into each other on a remote beach in the Asian country would be very unlikely. Think again. Adam Haimes, 28, of Ilminster, is currently in Vietnam teaching English in Hanoi. And it was on a trip to the beautiful, remote Cat Ba Island, where there were no more than 100 people, when the encounter took place.

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CREWKERNE NEWS THIS WEEK

THE community safety morning in Crewkerne was moved from Falkland Square to in front of the town hall because of the number of vehicles involved. And a spokesman for the organisers – the town council – described the attendance as disappointingly low.

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Council leader survives 'no confidence' vote

EAST Devon District Council leader Paul Diviani (Con) remains in his role after surviving a vote of no confidence.

The motion for a vote of no confidence was heard at an extraordinary meeting of the council on Wednesday, September 13th to a packed public gallery.

Independent councillor Ben Ingham had proposed the motion following the closure of hospital beds in East Devon.

It was seconded by independent councillor Val Ranger, and backed by 14 other councillors (a mix of independents and Lib Dems), and read: "On Tuesday, July 25th 2017, councillor Diviani chose not to represent the opinion of this council or the people we represent at the Devon County Council Health and Adult Care Scrutiny Committee meeting when he was clearly expected to do so.

"This council no longer has confidence in Cllr Diviani's commitment to represent our collective interests nor lead our East Devon communities as the figurehead for local government.

"We call for his resignation."

The Devon County Council Health and Adult Care Scrutiny Committee narrowly resolved (7-6) to not refer the NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group bed closure process and decision to the Secretary of State for Health.

Councillor Diviani voted against referral despite EDDC opposing the bed closures, which is what sparked the motion of a vote of no confidence. He came under sustained fire during Wednesday's meeting.

Councillor Roger Giles (Ind) said: "In 26 years on this council I cannot think of an instance where the council leader has gone against the wishes of his/her council.

"I am certain that there has not been an occasion where the council leader has gone against the unanimous decision of the council on a very contentious issue, and where the council decision reflects the view of the vast majority of local public opinion.

"How could anyone – member of the public or member of this council – have even a shred of confidence in him after his quite deplorable actions on July 25th?

"A day of shame and infamy for our democratic principles."

Councillor Peter Burrows said he did not think a referral to the Secretary of State for Health would have made any difference, but added: "But that is not the point, Councillor Diviani should have represented the views of East Devon."

Cllr Diviani said that when he was voting at the committee meeting he was representing all district councils in Devon as part of the Devon District Forum, not just EDDC.

He also said that had the scrutiny committee resolved to refer the bed closure to the Secretary of State for Health, it would only have delayed the inevitable, jeopardised care and increased costs.

The bed closure programme comes under the NHS Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP) and Cllr Diviani explained: "Of 14 initial STP reviews referred to the Secretary of State for Health between November 1st 2013 and March 22nd 2017, 14 were rejected – there being no alternative, evidence-based proposals to suggest they should be overturned.

"The absence of alternative proposals and simply saying 'don't close our hospital beds' would carry no weight at all.

"Why would a referral from the DCC scrutiny committee be different to others that have failed?

"In my view, a referral would only delay the inevitable, jeopardise care, increase costs and delay necessary change."

Heckling erupted after his speech and EDDC chairman Andrew Moulding (Con) threatened to have people removed from the chamber.

He pointed at one person in the public gallery and said: "The lady over there dressed as a nurse will be the first to go."

Eighteen councillors voted for the motion of no confidence but 31 went against (with one abstension).

ANTI-Diviani campaigners before the meeting

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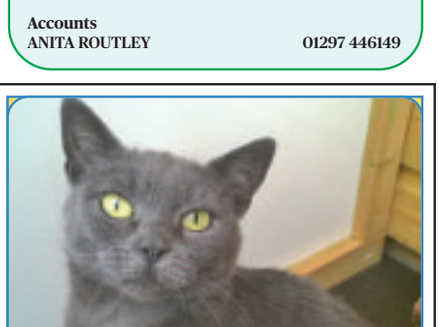

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It's never too late

As GCSE students across Devon and Somerset celebrated their results, adult learners have also been jumping for joy having made the grades.

Duncan Cousens was one of many adult learners who returned to the classroom last year to study GCSE Maths with Devon County Council's adult learning service, Learn Devon.

Learn Devon provide a wide range of adult learning courses, including GCSE Maths and English. Both of which are free to eligible adults.

Forty-three-year-old Duncan, father of two, took the course at Honiton Community College.

He'd previously attained professional qualifications in engineering and as a plumber, but until now, not GCSE Maths.

"I really enjoyed the course. We all did," said Duncan.

"I'd realised that I wanted to get my GCSE Maths for several reasons, having missed out at school. I've two young children and I've wanted to be able to support them more with their maths homework.

"I've also volunteered as an assistant at my local primary school and would like to study for my PGCE to enable me to become a teacher, for which I need a maths qualification."

There are GCSE Maths courses at Learn Devon locations across Devon. Honiton Community College's Learn Devon GCSE Maths course is on Wednesday nights from 6pm to 8:30pm. It runs until June 27th 2018.

For more information about this course or any of the Learn Devon courses, visit www.learndevon.co.uk

SPRINGER Spaniel Tweed and Labrador Rob with their handlers PC Martin King and PC Jill Curnow

Local police forces leading the way with 'digital' sniffer dogs

DEVON & Cornwall Police – along with their counterparts from Dorset – are once again leading the way in investing in cutting edge ways to tackle crime.

Hot off the heels of being the first police forces in the UK to set up a dedicated drone unit, the operations department has now announced that it has trained two digital storage detection police dogs.

Dorset Police and Devon & Cornwall Police have added to their ranks police dogs Tweed and Rob.

Tweed, a 19-month-old Springer Spaniel, and Rob, a 20-month-old black Labrador, are the first police dogs in the UK, and the only dogs outside of the USA, to be trained to detect digital storage devices.

Chief Superintendent Jim Nye, Commander for the Alliance Operations Department, said: "This is an historic step for the alliance and policing in the UK. These dogs will give the police a new way to fight the threat of terrorism, paedophiles and fraudsters. Tweed and Rob have been used by police at crime scenes and executions of warrants, not just within Cornwall, Devon and Dorset, but across the whole UK.

"The dogs have been used to sniff out data devices such as mobile devices, USB sticks, SD cards, hard drives and computers.

"Once again, we have shown that we are prepared to look at new technology and will always strive to get one step ahead to tackle criminality."

In May 2015, Police Constable Graham Attwood, who is a police dog instructor for the team, began to research the ability to train such a dog.

PC Attwood identified that the first dogs in the world to train in digital storage detection were trained at the Pioneering Connecticut State Police Dog unit in the USA.

Following his collaboration with Connecticut State Police and the FBI, a pilot scheme was started in December 2016.

PC Attwood, said: "Myself and members of the alliance dog school initially handled and trained Tweed and Rob mainly in our own time as we were committed to our usual daily duties of training the forces' other operational police dogs.

"The majority of the dogs we have in both forces either come from our puppy breeding scheme or are gift or rescue dogs but, as this was a unique challenge for us, we identified and purchased Tweed and Rob last December when they were around 15-months-old and embarked on this journey with them."

Recently retired Connecticut State Police Dog Instructor and co-founder of the American programme Mike Real along with Special Agent Jeffrey Calandra, who is the only digital detection dog handler in the FBI, were invited to Devon for a week in March 2016 to train with and assess Tweed and Rob.

This formed part of an independent review of the ability of the dogs to detect digital storage devices at the alliance police dog school in Middlemoor, Exeter.

Under the watchful eyes of the visiting officers from the United States, the dogs were put through their paces in a three-day assessment process of the dogs' operational search abilities. Tweed and Rob passed with flying colours.

Mike Real said following the assessment: "Constable Attwood and the trainers at the alliance police dog school have done a masterful job of bringing this new disciple of police canine to the UK."

Special Agent Jeffrey Calandra of the FBI commented: "In today's tech-driven world crime has no state or even country boundaries, so helping our law-enforcement partners around the world develop cutting edge detection capabilities is key to fighting crime and terror."

PC Attwood, added: "Our digital dogs have already proven to be a success and have been used in more than 50 warrants executed across the UK, including Hampshire, Essex, South Wales and North Yorkshire.

"We have already seen some really fantastic results from these two dogs.

"Tweed on one warrant indicated that something may have been within what looked like a cola can.

"This was then inspected by a search officer and discovered that it was actually a money box which had a number of SD cards hidden within it.

"Rob has also indicated a small device hidden carefully in a drawer, likely to have been missed by the human eye, which just goes to show that they are able to locate these items, which assists us greatly with our searches."

Rob and Tweed are part of a trial and the forces will assess the success of these dogs and their new skills at the end of the 2017 with a view to rolling this out wider.

The dogs live at home with their new full time police dog handlers, PC Martin King and PC Jill Curnow.

Badger culling set to return across Devon and Somerset

LICENCES have been issued for badger culling across Devon and Somerset.

Culling is part of the government's 25-year strategy to eradicate bovine TB, but opponents say there is no evidence it is effective.

A badger vaccination programme to stop the spread of TB is also restarting.

The Badger Trust condemned the policy as 'politically motivated' and an 'insult to the nation's intelligence'.

The new licences have been granted by Natural England and it follows a decision to extend culling areas around the South West.

The government said it will launch a new advisory service for farmers in high risk areas this autumn advising them how to limit the spread of the disease.

Farming Minister George Eustice said: "Bovine TB not only has a devastating impact on our beef and dairy farms, but causes harm and distress to infected cattle.

"Vaccination is just one part of our comprehensive strategy, which also includes tighter cattle controls, improved biosecurity and badger control in areas where bTB is rife, to tackle the reservoir of disease in wildlife."

The government's chief vet Nigel Gibbens said: "Proactive badger control is currently the best available option and the licensing of further areas is necessary to realise disease-control benefits across the high risk area of England, rather than at local levels."

Dominic Dyer, chief executive of the Badger Trust, said 32,247 badgers could be killed under these new licences in the next six weeks.

"The government is simply pandering to its core voters in the farming sector," he said.

"No credible scientist has ever suggested that culling badgers will make any significant impact on lowering TB in cattle and there is now clear evidence the policy is failing badly.

"The government is simply imposing its will in an act of political aggression against both science and the will of the people."

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), whose meeting are chaired by Tiverton & Honiton MP Neil Parish, said that in 2016, operations in Somerset, Gloucestershire, Dorset, Devon, Cornwall, Herefordshire and Wiltshire were all successful in meeting their targets for culling badgers.

In total, culling will be carried out in 21 areas in England this year.

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■ A WILDCAT helicopter crew from RNAS Yeovilton has been providing humanitarian and disaster relief to Anguilla following the devastation caused by Hurricane Irma in the Caribbean. The crew from 815 Naval Air Squadron is commanded by Lieutenant Amy Gilmore who recently reached the milestone of 1,000 flying hours. The Wildcat was already deployed in the region with the 16,000-ton landing ship dock auxiliary RFA Mounts Bay, inset, and has been providing security and assurance to the UK overseas territories there as well as dealing with anti-smuggling operations. But following the terrible effects of Hurricane Irma, the RFA was tasked with helping with the relief effort. On board the RFA are more than 50 Royal Marines and Army engineering/logistical personnel with access to earth-moving and water-transporting equipment, as well as the Royal Navy's Wildcat helicopter.

Fears for future of RBL branch

THERE are big concerns that the Ilminster branch of the Royal British Legion could be forced to close unless new blood is recruited.

Branch chairman John Goodall told members in a letter that the group's annual meeting on Tuesday September 26 would "most likely to be the last meeting" of the organisation.

"Unless the branch can elect a chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer and secretary together with a minimum of three to a maximum of 12 other members to form a committee it will not be able to function," he said.

"The branch has 55 members – but as the average age of those members is 80-plus, many are now too old to take on the branch duties and responsibilities, so it is unlikely we will be able to meet the criteria for continuing as a branch.

"A branch that is unable to continue as a branch through lack of branch officers may close. The legion considers closure as a last resort when all other avenues, including amalgamation and formation of a sub-branch, have been explored and exhausted.

"At the annual meeting I will be asking the membership for a decision on closing the branch."

Mr Goodall has said that the membership of the RBL is open to everyone and people do not have to have a background in the Forces.

"Like many other branches of the legion we need younger members to join and keep the branch alive," he said. "Many people still believe that you have to be ex-Services to be a member. This is not so.

"Membership is open to everyone. If you have an interest in the objectives of the legion and want to help and support those who have served and their families, come and join us. We welcome men and women of all ages, whether they have served in the Armed Forces or not."

'Fantastic news' for road users

A MULTI-MILLION-POUND programme to improve in excess of 200 miles of road at more than 150 sites across Somerset is now complete – despite the challenges of the English summer.

Surface dressing is a nationally recognised maintenance technique for sealing a road, improving skid resistance and preventing water getting under the surface. This is crucial to helping stop potholes forming.

It works by coating an existing road with bitumen, covering it with stone chippings and then rolling it.

The process is highly weather-dependent and works can be delayed by rain or by both high or low temperatures.

Despite this, the 2017 programme has been completed on time.

Cllr John Woodman, Somerset County Council's cabinet member for highways, said: "Surface dressing will never win any popularity contests because of the way it looks at first with loose chippings – but it is great value for money and provides a number of clear benefits.

"Not only does it improve skid resistance but it also reseals the road to prolong its life by up to 10 years and help stop potholes forming.

"We've delivered these benefits to more than 150 sites across Somerset which is fantastic news for road users as winter approaches."

Find out more about surface dressing at travelsomerset.co.uk/surface-dressing.

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If you have a story for South Somerset contact Peter Hodges on 01297 446162 or Anders Larsson 01297 446142

Georgian ring found buried in field sells for £3k

A MYSTERIOUS and beautiful mourning ring made 300 years ago to commemorate the death of someone with the initials I.W. has been sold for £3,360 at auction.

The ring was found in a farmer's field by metal detectorist Colin Spiller, of Chard, and his stepson Ashley Miner.

Colin took the ring, found in West Dorset, to Dix Noonan Webb, the international coins, medals and jewellery specialist in London, which regularly sells discoveries by detectorists.

Dix Noonan Webb included the ring in an auction of jewellery and watches this month, with a cautious pre-sale estimate of £800 to £1,200.

This was left far behind with bidding beginning at £1,700 amid strong competition in the saleroom.

Auctioneer Laura Smith brought the hammer down at £2,800, which will be split 50-50 by Colin and the farmer on whose land the ring was found.

By the time that the auction house's commission was added, the successful bidder – a London dealer – paid £3,360.

"I am really, really pleased with the result," said Colin, a 44 year-old building maintenance worker who was taking part in a metal detecting day with about 50 other enthusiasts in the farmer's field.

"I want to say a massive thank you to everyone at Dix Noonan Webb. The ring was a fantastic find. I thought about keeping it but it would only have stayed in the back of a drawer."

Ms Smith said: "We are delighted that this ring – which was such a poignant find – fetched such a high price.

"Mourning rings were worn to commemorate loved ones who had passed away and one cannot help but wonder who I.W. was and what sort of life he or she lived."

The ring is a gold band decorated on the exterior with stylised foliage and a memento mori – reflection on mortality – skull relief decorated in black enamel.

Inside is a Latin inscription which translates as "I.W. died April 9 1717 aged 71".

■COLIN Spiller and his stepson Ashley Miner

Although the black enamel is chipped and worn, the ring is in remarkably good condition given that it may have spent much of the past three centuries buried in a Dorset field.

It was on February 26 this year – almost exactly 300 years after the death of the person commemorated by the ring – that Colin went into the field accompanied by his 15 year-old stepson Ashley.

After an hour they received a strong signal on their detector and found the ring about four or five inches below the surface.

"I thought it was a modern piece at first because it was black and I did not know that this was enamelling," said Colin.

"Then Ashley put his finger through the middle of the ring to clear out the earth and we saw the date. We did a high five.

"I didn't know exactly what it was until Laura Smith advised me. It's historic and the most valuable thing I have ever found."

■CHRISTINE Williams and Jenny Fielder cut the celebration cake

Stroke group celebrates

THE Chard and Crewkerne After Stroke Group celebrated 25 years of support by two of its key members with a cream tea party at the Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster.

Forty-five clients and their helpers enjoyed a tea party with a slice of celebration cake.

The group was formed in the late 1980s.

Christine Williams and Jenny Fielder have been involved with the group for 25 years, which members agreed was cause for celebration.

The group offers support to those who have suffered a stroke and who are looking to benefit from association with others who are in a similar situation.

The group meets every Tuesday from 10.30am until 2.30pm at Chard Rugby Club, where members keep fit with exercises designed to assist physical and mental health, play games and enjoy lunch.

Members have an occasional trip out and are frequently visited by the local manager of the Stroke Association, to which the group is affiliated.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

■COMMUNITY groups and charitable organisations based in **Crewkerne** are invited by Crewkerne Town Council to apply for grants for specific projects.

Application forms are available from the town hall or can be downloaded from crewkernetown.org/towncouncil.

A council spokesman said: "The deadline for grant applications is 1pm on Friday September 29 and applicants will be contacted in October.

"Successful recipients will be asked to collect their cheque in person at the annual town meeting of electors in April."

For more details, call the town council on 01460 74001 or send an email to towncouncil@crewkerne-tc.gov.uk.

■THE Minster in **Ilminster** will be hosting an evening of film, music, drums and drama next month to celebrate the work and achievements of the Ilminster-based charity Purple Field Productions in Africa.

The evening, on October 14 (7.30pm), will feature extracts from eight PFP films shot in Malawi, Kenya and Sierra Leone, interspersed with drama and music.

The African drums are provided by Sharon Stone and partner, the dramatic sections by members of the Ilminster Entertainments Society Youth Group and the songs by David Sutcliffe's Serenade Choir. Admission is free. Everyone is welcome.

Fifty years of pre-schooling

■ SOME of the Clare House children with, from left, room supervisor Viv Cumming, childcare apprentice Paul Phillips, nursery manager Jayne Windsor and qualified practitioner Sally Rowlinson

■ NURSERY manager Jayne Windsor, right, and room supervisor Karen Robotham with some of the children

■ CLARE House at Millfield in Chard

STAFF and children at Clare House in Chard are celebrating 50 years of pre-school teaching and learning.

It was back in September 1967 when the Chard Playgroup Association was created and hosted the town's first pre-school at the Congregational Schoolrooms.

The playgroup then moved to its current site in Millfield in a prefabricated concrete building where it became known as the Chard Neighbourhood Nursery Initiative and School's Out facility.

In around 2001 it was decided that the ageing building was no longer fit for purpose and that new facilities were needed.

The organisation moved out to a temporary home at Numatic International before heading back to Millfield where a new purpose-built HQ had replaced the old prefabricated building.

It was called Clare House in memory of Clare Bargery who died in 2001 after a hard-fought battle with illness. She had worked at the Chard NNI for many years and was a valued member of staff and described as the "ultimate professional".

Clare House, as it has become widely known in the area, offers a complete childcare package for babies in nursery and pre-school children. It can also offer out-of-school-hours care for older youngsters up to 12.

The facilities are run by nursery manager Jayne Windsor and her team. Jayne and administrator Janet Woodbury are the first point of contact for anybody wanting to send their child to Clare House. They are delighted and extremely proud to see Clare House and its previous guises reach 50 years of age.

There are, no doubt, those who attended, when it first opened in town as the Chard Playgroup Association, as children in 1967 who have seen their own sons and daughters and grandchildren go through Clare House care and learning.

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Minty and Toffee are sweet success for animal sanctuary

HORSES Toffee and Minty are a big success story for Ferne Animal Sanctuary near Chard.

Back in April, the sanctuary was asked to rescue two very unwell horses from a badly managed livery yard.

And thanks to months of loving care at Ferne, the stallions are back to good health.

Before coming to Ferne, the four-year-olds had been confined to stables for three years and were severely malnourished, suffering from developmental problems, liver damage, UV intolerance, lice and dental issues.

Microchip testing revealed that the horses were not registered to the people who were keeping them.

The animals had been bought as yearlings under a payment plan that was defaulted on, leading to court proceedings and bailiffs being authorised to retrieve the horses. However, at that time the whereabouts of both the animals and owners were unknown.

A member of the public visited the livery yard, noticed the appalling conditions and reported it to a local charity. The stallions were still registered with their former owner, who gave permission for them to be taken in by the sanctuary.

Nikki Haddock, animal care manager at Ferne, said: "The poor boys were traumatised to be brought out into the light and the big wide world but they had no strength to put up an objection.

"We were able to load them into the transporter with the help of sweets we brought for the journey, hence their new names: Toffee and Minty."

■ THE horses before being rescued – and now enjoying life at Ferne Animal Sanctuary

The horses' rightful owners decided that the best way forward was to sign them over, as it would have been dangerous to bring them home to a breeding farm with no quarantine facility.

The sanctuary could give the animals the intensive treatment they so desperately needed, slowly introducing them to daylight and outdoor paddocks and helping to improve their mobility day by day.

The character of the geldings is more apparent with every day as they gain strength and become healthier with the appropriate nutrition in the caring environment of the sanctuary located just outside Wambrook, west of Chard.

Ferne has been looking to find loving homes for Toffee and Minty on a permanent loan basis.

Their ideal owners would be lovers of the Arabian breed, experienced in educating young horses and be able to provide a suitable, safe environment.

Toffee and Minty were the lucky ones, rescued and put on the sanctuary's rehoming scheme before it was too late.

As a registered charity, Ferne relies on the support of the public and dedicated volunteers to continue its vital work.

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The cavalcade of floats, masqueraders and majorettes, along with the Bournemouth Carnival Band and the carnival royalty of eight-year-old carnival princess Bethany Bisgrove and nine-year-old carnival prince Oliver Coulson, made its way through the streets of South Petherton and was watched by hundreds of people.

RESULTS: Feature – 1 Brewers Arms, Bat Out of Hell. Comic – 1 Angie Allen CC, Roaring Twenties. Youth Float – 1 Eclipse Juniors CC, Can't Con Troll The Feeling; 2 South Petherton Scout Group, Pirates. Walking Adult Single – 1 Kevin Sivell, Spirit Of The Wolf; 2 Spirit Carnival Club, Rebecca Wilton, Deco; 3 RJCC, James Webber, I'm Coming Out 2017. Single Child Walker – 1 Logan Charles, Indian Dream; 2 TA CC, Osscar Collins, Jack's Back Again; =3 Rio Welsh, Boo; =3 Kai Newbery, Stupid Cupid. Walking Pairs – 1 Inferno CC, Dead Dapper; 2 Florie and Joseph Hodge; 3 Dee Gees CC, Ole; Highly Commended, TA Carnival Club, Pirates Life. Walking Adult Groups – 1 TA Carnival Club, The Show Must Go On. Walking Wheeled Motorised – 1 South Petherton Cricket Club, In A League Of Their Own. Walking Wheeled Non-Motorised – 1 Joshua Windsor/Royals CC, Stop Me And Buy One; 2 Midas CC, The Golden Compass. Group Local Children 5-11 – South Petherton Infant School, Trolls; 2 South Petherton Brownies and Rainbows. Trade Entry – 1 Reylands Commercial. Majorettes – 1 Ilchester Gems; 2 Ilminster Majorettes; 3 Chard Evolution; 4 Merriott Majorettes. Best Music – 1 Joshua Windsor/Royals CC, Stop Me And Buy One. Best Costume and Best Overall – 1 Inferno CC, Dead Dapper.

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■ OSSCAR Collins with Jack's Back Again

■ CARNIVAL prince Oliver Coulson and carnival princess Bethany Bisgrove

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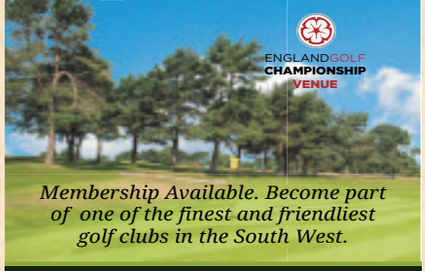

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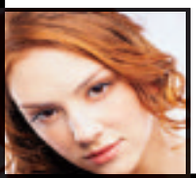

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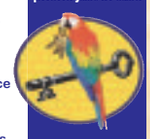

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Pizza night makes lots of dough for charities

A FANTASTIC night of pizza and fundraising brought in around £800 for the charities being supported by the mayor of Yeovil.

Cllr Darren Shutler and the mayoress, Anna Shutler, held an Italian night at the Nuova Italia Ristorante & Pizzeria in Ilchester.

Around 100 diners attended the event. They included the chairman of South Somerset District Council, Cllr Mike Best, and other former civic dignitaries from neighouring towns as well as friends and colleagues of the mayor and mayoress.

Representatives of the two charities being supported by the mayor – St Margaret's Somerset Hospice and School in a Bag – were also in attendance.

There was a raffle, and musical entertainment provided by singer Sarah Lowery and saxophonist Hannah Woolmington.

"It was a great night – thanks to everyone who came along and supported us," said Cllr Shutler. "We raised around £800 for the charities.

"Huge thanks to Nuova Italia who worked so hard to feed everyone and to Sarah and Hannah for the entertainment and the mayoress for all her hard work in organising the event."

Next up for the mayor's fundraising will be a gin night on Friday, October 20 at Majestic Wines in Yeovil.

Tickets are priced at £10 each. More information is available from the mayor at darrenshutler@googlemail.com.

■ ABOVE, the mayor and mayoress of Yeovil, Cllr Darren Shutler and his wife Anna, at the Nuova Italia restaurant in Ilchester ahead of his charity event; right, members of the Nuova Italia team who helped to make the fundraising night such a success ***Pictures by CHRISTINE JONES***

NEWS IN BRIEF

■ THE **League of Friends of Chard & District Hospital** were the real winners at the final of football's Chard Hospital Cup.

Sue Drayton, president of the Perry Street League, presented Friends' treasurer Tony Prior with a cheque for £440, the final's gate receipts and the clubs' entrance fees for the competition.

Mr Prior said: "The League of Friends is delighted with this result. We thank the Perry Street League, its officials and all the participating clubs for this successful conclusion to the competition.

"The money will be used to provide equipment for Chard hospital not otherwise available from the NHS. This includes equipment for the minor injuries unit sometimes needed by local footballers."

The final was hosted by Chard Town and was won by Shepton Beauchamp who beat Perry Street Reserves 5-0.

■ THE **Friends of Essex House Medical Centre** in Chard have purchased more vital equipment, costing £1,300, for the practice.

They were delighted to purchase another two blood-pressure monitors, some pillows and stethoscopes.

Rose Kneil, secretary of the group, said: "Thanks to every person who has helped us achieve this. At our recent two fairs we have made nearly £60 profit."

The next Chris' Popular Fair is on October 7 in Chard Guildhall.

Anyone wanting to donate items for the group to sell can call Rose on 01460 65374 or Ed on 01460 261230.

Rose said: "We are happy to collect, though cannot accept large items."

■ FORMER Yeovil MP **Paddy Ashdown** is back by popular demand at Chard Bookshop on Saturday, for a signing event for his latest book *Game Of Spies*. Hardback and paperback copies will be available for signing.

Chard Bookshop owner Amanda Broom said: "The last event was incredibly well received, and I am constantly being asked when Paddy will be coming back. Well, he will be in Chard Bookshop from 10am to 11.30am on Saturday."

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■ PUPILS from West Coker Primary School enjoy seeing the artwork they helped to create. Ward 10 play leader Leanne Braund and teacher Cait Crisp are pictured with pupils Jay, Jessica and Joe

Children's art for elderly

CHILDREN at West Coker Primary School created a colourful exhibition to liven up the corridor to the frail older people's assessment service department of Yeovil District Hospital.

During the summer term, children aged between five and 10 worked with their teacher Cait Crisp to create a series of beautiful multimedia panels reflecting flowers and nature. The children were taking part in their Community Caring sessions, which saw the school involved in a variety of local initiatives.

The hospital's arts co-ordinator Caroline Barnes visited the school to talk with the children about how art is used to enhance the healing environment.

Caroline said: "The children came up with a huge variety of responses as to how we could improve our hospital. They were fascinated by the idea of pictures and colours being able to help people, be that reducing anxiety or just putting a smile on someone's face."

The children decided to focus on the theme Outside Inside, and, working with their teacher, explored batik, stitching, paper collage and painting. Each picture is a collective creation with children of different ages working together to create some stunning work.

Cait said: "We have been proud and privileged to have been able to take an active role in making this beautiful artwork. The children are really motivated by having 'real' projects to work on within the local community."

The exhibition is located near the Queensway Day Hospital in its community gallery on level two and will be on display for the next six months before moving to the children's ward on level 10.

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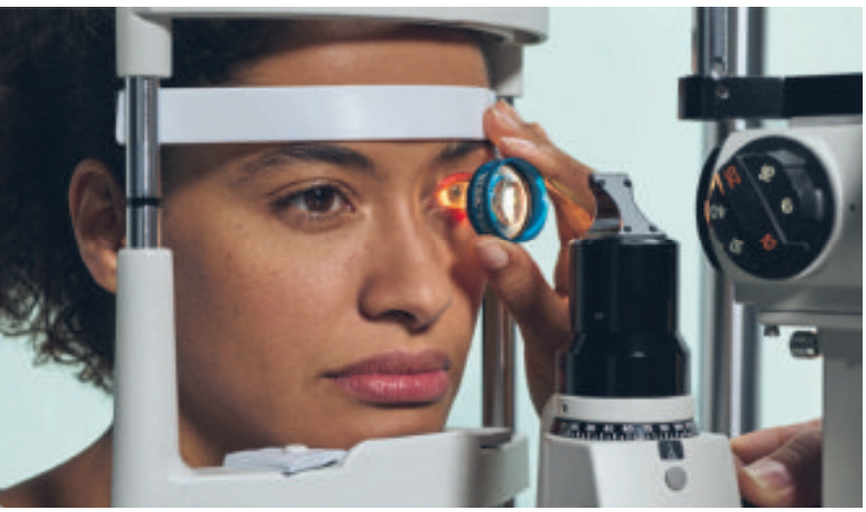

TIME TO TRANSFORM EYE HEALTH

The Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) and Specsavers are urging people to have regular eye tests to help maintain and protect their sight.

Research* commissioned by the charity and high street opticians has revealed that one in five people will live with sight loss in their lifetime, despite at least half of all cases being avoidable. With nearly six million people in the UK currently living with sight-threatening conditions, nearly every family in Britain is touched by sight problems in some way.

While sight is the nation's most precious sense by far, with 78% of people polled saying it is the one they would least like to lose, a quarter of UK adults are still risking avoidable sight loss by not having had an eye test in the past 2 years.

Of those who had not been for an eye test during that time period, 33% did not think that there was anything wrong with their eyes, while 24% said that they just didn't have the time.

Specsavers believes that eye care should be accessible to everyone. Specsavers Healthcall offers a free NHS sight test at home and a comprehensive home eye care service to those who cannot visit a store unaccompanied.

As with all Specsavers staff, the home visiting teams are becoming Dementia Friends to help people with dementia recognise sight loss. The research reveals that only one in three people who qualify for a home visit are aware of the service. It is vital that, in an ageing society, we meet the needs of these vulnerable people and increase awareness.

Specsavers' clinical spokesperson Dr Nigel Best said: 'Some people are waiting until they experience sight loss before booking an eye test, which means they are potentially preventing their optician from detecting signs of eye health problems or other medical issues at an early stage. Early intervention is vital in the management and successful treatment of many conditions.'

RNIB acting CEO Sally Harvey added: 'We would encourage anyone who has put off going for an eye test to book one at the earliest opportunity.'

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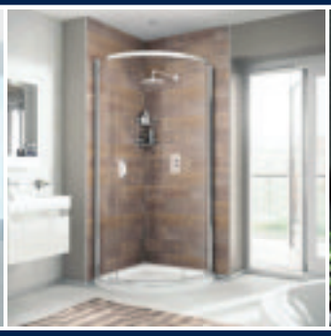

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Strangers from Ilminster meet – 5,800 miles from home

ILMINSTER has a population of just 5,800 people and is 5,860 miles away from Vietnam. So you'd think that the chance of two people from the town, who were strangers, bumping into each other on a remote beach in the Asian country would be very unlikely. Think again.

Adam Haimes, 28, of Ilminster, is currently in Vietnam teaching English in Hanoi. And it was on a trip to the beautiful, remote Cat Ba Island, where there were no more than 100 people, when the encounter took place.

"I was at a pretty remote, small hostel called the Woodstock Beach Hostel when it was pointed out to me that this lad lying in a hammock was from Somerset," said Adam.

"I went over to him and he introduced himself as James Bailey and that he came from Ilminster. You can just imagine what I said.

"I think my jaw hit the floor at first, but then we had a long conversation, a lot of beers and talked about lots of things like the bars back home such as the Royal Oak and The Shed."

James, 22, is currently travelling around south east Asia and will stay with Adam when he is in Hanoi.

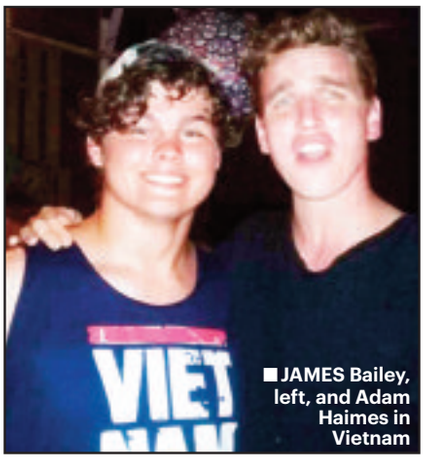
Adam said: "We were both really astonished to find out we both came from Ilminster.

"We didn't know each other at all beforehand, although when we started chatting we soon realised we had lots of mutual friends.

"It really does make you think that the world we live in really is a small place."

Adam has been in Vietnam for the past three months and is planning on staying there until May.

"It's an amazing country and tourism is up by 30 per cent this year alone," he said. "I'm having a fantastic time but I do miss my lovely friends and family."



■ JAMES Bailey, left, and Adam Haimes in Vietnam

Council's grant helps bring better air to shop and cafe

A GRANT from South Somerset District Council has helped with the installation of efficient air conditioning at a community shop and cafe.

Seavington Community Shop & Services Association near Ilminster received a grant of £1,000 from the council's Area North committee towards the cost of the project to install a new system to improve air cooling and temperature regulation in the building.

Customers using the shop and cafe, and volunteers and staff working there, were experiencing uncomfortably high temperatures for lengthy periods of time and the conditions were also affecting perishable stock, leading to wastage. The new air conditioning is now ensuring cooler, safer and more pleasant ambient temperatures.

The total cost of the efficiency project was £9,992. The association received funding from the parish council and from the Rural Development Programme Somerset Levels & Moors LEADER fund as well as contributing from its own funds.

The store and cafe is run principally by local volunteers. Situated next to the village hall, beside the recreation ground and children's play area, it has an outside seating area for cafe customers to use in the summer.

Marion Bennett, a member of the association, said: "The Seavington Community Shop and cafe is delighted to have benefited from grant funding to install air conditioning. Prior to the installation of air conditioning the extreme temperatures in the premises resulted in high energy consumption, wastage of stock and discomfort for our volunteers, customers and staff.

■ THE community shop and cafe at Seavington

"Now we can work, shop and eat in a comfortable environment and keep our stock in prime condition. We are most grateful to South Somerset District Council, LEADER and our parish council for their substantial contributions to the cost of the project."

Cllr Crispin Raikes, who represents Seavington St Michael on the district council, said: "It's a great credit to the community of Seavington that they run this shop, largely with a volunteer workforce, providing an important service in the village and with the cafe a popular meeting place for locals as well as for visitors dropping by."

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Fire crews from five towns came together to practise dealing with road traffic collisions.

Fire engines from Yeovil, Martock, Chard, Street and Wincanton were involved in the exercise.

Other emergency services from South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust, Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance and Avon & Somerset Constabulary also attended.

Casualty Union volunteers were the "injured" people involved and some needed to be cut free from the vehicles.

Crews tested their ability to work effectively alongside other agencies, implementation of incident command, skills to obtain relevant vehicle information from service systems and how to identify and brief others on any hazards contained within vehicles.

Watch manager John Trott said: "This was a great opportunity for us to practise our techniques and procedures.

"We also tested our inter-operability with the other agencies that attended. The exercise was a great success."

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service thanks Leonardo Helicopters for allowing it to use Bunford Lane for the exercise.

Pictures courtesy of YEOVIL FIRE STATION

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Supporting young people on the path to better mental health

A monthly column by KERRY CABLE from the peer support network for young people with mental-health issues, based in Chard and Axminster

JUST when I thought we were making some headway with reducing the stigma around mental-health issues, Poundland has reignited my fears that this clearly isn't the case.

I was at the self-service machine, paying for some inevitably low-quality colouring pencils, and spotted one of their own-brand snacks, marauding as a packet of peanut M&M's.

That wasn't what bothered me, though. The name of the eye-catching snack was Nutters.

Yes, I get that they are doing some kind of pun on the fact that they are chocolate-covered peanuts – but that isn't where it ended.

The images on the front ***(pictured below)*** were of sugar-coated peanuts with deranged-looking faces and big bites out of where their brains would be.

Mental-health campaigners have said that they can't believe these were allowed to get to the shelves and are distressed and disgusted by the design.

In a statement, Poundland said: "These chocolate-covered nuts have been a customer favourite over the last 12 months and that popularity suggests it hasn't caused offence."

I'm not sure I agree. Just because lots of people have bought them it doesn't mean that thousands more aren't upset and offended by it.

I understand that this was probably not their intention and I'm sure the thinking behind it wasn't malicious.

However, this is the kind of thing that perpetuates the stigma surrounding mental-health issues and the fact that people in the industry overlook the effect these messages can have is worrying – especially with all the work going on to raise awareness of this subject.

Norman Lamb, of the Liberal Democrats, whose 29-year-old son Archie has suffered with obsessive compulsive disorder, said the word nutter is pejorative and not the sort of expression we should be using these days.

He continued: "If you just say nothing and allow these products to be normal practice, it perpetuates a negative view of mental health – that there's something weird and odd about you.

"We need to be doing much more to recognise that it's nothing to be ashamed of and embarrassed about and encourage young people to get help."

This follows the news that more than 25 per cent of people with a mental illness receiving Disability Living Allowance have been refused Personal Independence Payment when being reassessed.

The fact-checking society, Full Fact, is currently looking into this and whether or not they are receiving less benefit than before.

It seems pretty clear to me that we are still living in a world where mental health is not considered to be as important as physical health – even though research shows, time and time again, that the body heals quicker when the patient has good mental health and people are less likely to get ill in the first place.

Focusing on treating mental-health issues when they first appear could have a huge impact on saving money for the NHS in the long term.

But I feel like this doesn't seem to register with the powers that be.

But things are not all doom and gloom. There are pockets of incredibly dedicated people who are doing some really positive work all over the country.

I really do feel that things are starting to move in a positive direction in the general population, no matter how long it takes for that to filter back up to the top.

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Wellington has so much more to offer than exam results. The performing arts go from strength to strength and Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils have just enjoyed producing a spectacular West End standard production of Sweeney Todd, as well as a production of Oliver! There are workshops, creative performances and technical opportunities and with a huge range of bands, orchestras and ensembles, the whole school is taking advantage of a range of exciting opportunities. Our superb Chapel Choir performs regularly and our versatile musicians regularly sweep the board in singing competitions and exam results.

We nurture and teach pupils from 2 -11 in the Prep School and 11-18 in the Senior School, and we are justly proud of the rounded, all-encompassing education they receive. We call it "Learning For Life".

Come along to our next Open Morning on Saturday 23rd September from 9am to 12noon to see what makes us so special. Contact us on 01823 668800 or admissions@wellington-school.org.uk to book a place.

Wellington Prep School has also opened its doors to a host of 2 year olds in the Chapel Nursery. This superbly refurbished building, which sits on the edge of the School's campus, has been re-developed to create a wonderfully appointed nursery unit for two year olds. It is open all year round for 8.00am to 6.00pm each week day with flexible options for busy families who are keen for their children to receive an excellent start in life. We also offer up to 30 hours Nursery Entitlement Funding.

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Saturday 23rd September
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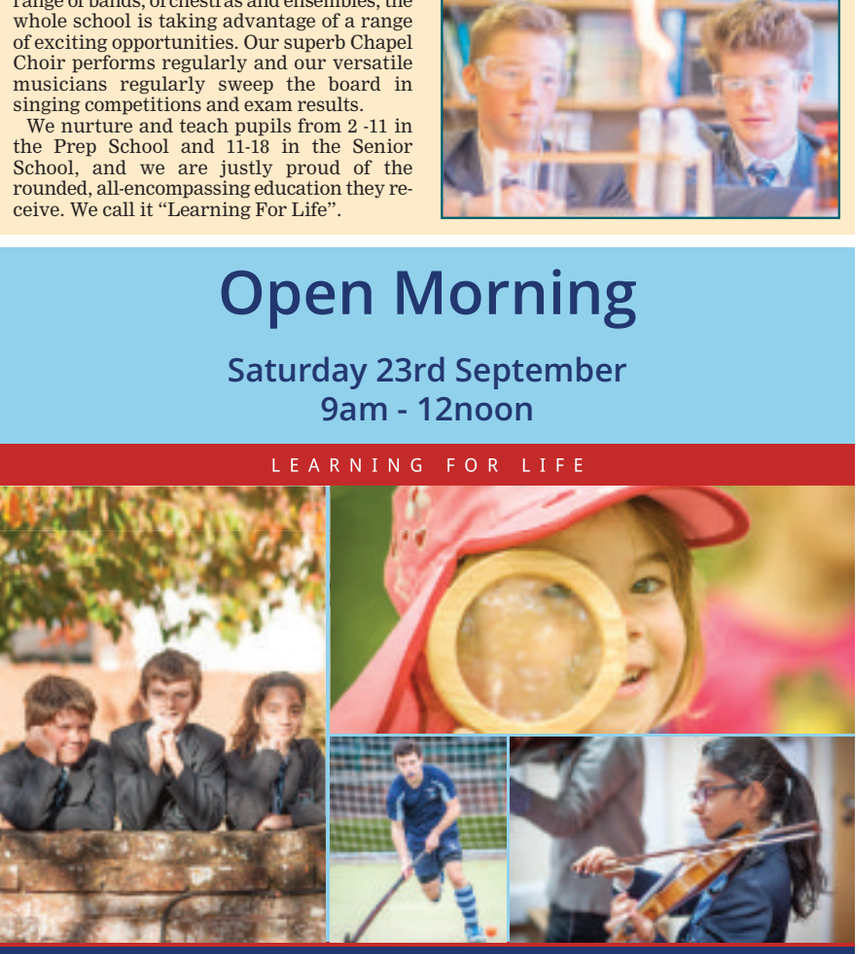

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MUSBURY AND HAWKCHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

IN JUNE 2017 Hawkchurch and Musbury became part of the First Federation Academy Trust, a Multi Academy Trust of Primary schools across Devon. The Federation began in 2006 as one of the first Primary federations in the country and has grown to include 12 schools and a teaching school. All schools have improved since joining the Federation with four being judged outstanding and three good with outstanding features (31 May 2017). The federation driving vision is that every child should go to an outstanding school and be taught by outstanding teachers.

Both schools continue to have the benefits of being village schools whilst enjoying the wider resources and expertise offered by the Academy.

Musbury Primary School enjoys an idyllic setting beside the village church. It is less than 4 miles from Axminster and Seaton, 3 miles from Colyton and less than 7 miles from Lyme Regis. Our school pupil numbers are rapidly growing and the future is bright. We enjoy excellent links with the local community and work alongside the Musbury Moles Pre-school group which is based on site. We are supported by many local volunteers who enhance the life of the school with their enthusiasm and knowledge of the local area. Musbury children benefit from • Outdoor learning • after school clubs • residential opportunities and trips • Plays, concerts and celebration assemblies • Enthusiastic PTFA members • A large playing field • Fruit and vegetable areas. Our School Values are very important to us and they are embedded and celebrated in all we do!

You are welcome to visit us on our open days or by appointment, telephone 01297 552687 or email admin@musbury-primary.devon.sch.uk

Hawkchurch C of E Primary School is 6 miles from Axminster in a beautiful rural village setting with panoramic views. The school consists of 2 classes - ks1 & ks2 - with a newly formed Nursery which is in its second year and we take children from 2 years of age. We accept Early Years Funding from 2 years of age and non-funded hours are available. We were inspected by Ofsted in the Autumn term 2015 and was rated as "Good". Hawkchurch children enjoy the benefits of: • Outdoor learning – very large grounds, with access to village field for sports • Fruit and vegetable garden, pond, wildlife area, bug hotel and a willow dome • New library • Close community ties, strong links with local toddler group and the church • Popular professional guitar lessons once a week • after school clubs • residential opportunities and trips • Plays, concerts and celebration assemblies • Local volunteer helpers • Enthusiastic PTFA members The school logo is the village rose. Our School and the Christian Values are very important to us and are embedded in all we do. We learn and grow together! You are welcome to visit on our open days or by appointment by telephoning Hawkchurch 01297 678331 or emailing admin@hawkchurch.devon.sch.uk

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Our EYFSU, Little Pips, merges with the Reception class as part of the Early Years Foundation Stage. We welcome children aged from 2 years to 4 years from 8.30am until 3pm, with morning, afternoon or all day sessions available, to engage in fun and exciting learning through play. Our Little Pips staff work with small groups of children and spend as much time as possible making the most of all the outdoor space and the many different learning environments the school has to offer.

The school also has a breakfast club which runs from 8am-8.30am and after school club which runs from 3pm-5pm (charged privately) to offer that extra bit of childcare should you wish.

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"We chose this school for our son as we love the school's approach to learning. The children have so much opportunity to use the outside space and this enhances their learning and their enjoyment of school."

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BOOST YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING, THE PTA WAY

By Lisa Salmon, Press Association

DROPPING children off at the school gates is as much contact as some parents get with their child's education.But parental participation in education has a direct impact on how well children do at school, whether that be primary or secondary. And that's why PTA UK, the charity which supports parent teacher associations (PTA) nationwide, is urging more parents to get involved with their child's school, for both the good of the school and their child.

Michelle Doyle Wildman, policy and communications director at PTA UK, explains that the positive impact of parental involvement in their child's education can range from volunteering to read in the classroom, telling the class about their career, accompanying children on school trips, helping to raise funds, or contributing to discussions about school policy.

She says: "Evidence tells us how much parents matter, and we know that parental participation in education has a direct impact on how well children do at school. So, knowing how much mums and dads get out of it too, we want to encourage everyone to take the plunge into a PTA in 2017."

MORE THAN FUNDRAISING

A recent survey of PTA UK members found PTAs raise an average of £7,000 a year, with a quarter raising more than £10,000. The money has been spent on resources including books, playground equipment, tablets and school trips.

"Some people only associate PTAs with fundraising, but there are many, many other activities involved," says Doyle Wildman.

"Yes, showpiece events like school fairs help resource important extras for the school that otherwise it wouldn't be able to afford. But what's driving the parents in the PTAs is that they want their child's school to be brilliant, not that they want be a fundraiser." Doyle Wildman says really successful schools have parents, teachers and children collaborating with a PTA.

Parent volunteering can be anything from welcoming new parents into the school, to selling second-hand uniforms and organising reading in class for younger children.

INVOLVED DADS

Mothers tend to be much more involved with PTAs than fathers, but Doyle Wildman points out: "Dads would love to be more involved and they sometimes struggle, but if they have IT skills, for example, they could use them to help the PTA, rather than manning the tombola at the school fair.

"They can support the school less in the playground and school and more at home in the evenings." PTA UK has found its volunteers spend around three million hours a year helping in schools nationwide - roughly equivalent to £20 million worth of time invested in children's education that wouldn't be provided in any other way.

But as well as helping to improve their child's school, the research found that parents engage with schools because they enjoy spending time with other families at school-organised events such as fairs, quiz nights and parties.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Reading: As well as reading with your own child, spread the joy by offering to read with other children at school. Research shows you can achieve similar benefits by talking to older children about social and political matters.
- Ask for information and contacts for the PTA at your school office.
- Join your school PTA, parent forum or board of governors: If you're enthusiastic about your school, your child is also likely to be - that's role-modelling at its best.
- Be a virtual supporter: If you can't help in person at school, there may be plenty you can do to help on your laptop, like setting up the class or PTA Facebook page, or responding to e-consultations or surveys.
- For more information, visit www.pta.org.uk

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■ REPRESENTATIVES of organisations featuring at the safety event

Community safety morning attendance 'disappointing'

THE community safety morning in Crewkerne was moved from Falkland Square to in front of the town hall because of the number of vehicles involved.

Avon & Somerset Constabulary, Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service, Somerset Road Safety Partnership, The Environment Agency, Devon & Somerset Trading Standards, SSDC Environmental Health, Bluebird Care Ltd, Yarlington Retirement Living Services, Somerset Care, Active Learning & Skills, Dogs Trust, the Bobby Van and Crewkerne Town Council – which organised the event – were all in attendance.

Crewkerne Community Safety Group is a town-council-led organisation, recognised by the Mendip & South Somerset Community Safety Partnership.

A spokesman for the town council said: "The aim of the event is to give local people the opportunity to discuss and receive advice on community safety issues, whether personal or environmental.

"There are very few of these events running across South Somerset and it is an ideal opportunity to talk to professional services all in one place.

"It also provides a chance for the different services to network with each other."

The spokesman described the attendance as disappointingly low.

It is possible that the switch from Falkland Square played a part.

For more information on Crewkerne Community Safety Group, contact Laura Gowers at Crewkerne Town Council on 01460 74001 or send an email to deputyclerk@crewkerne-tc.gov.uk

Beating the bounds

STARTING from the library, a group of about 40 walkers set out to beat the bounds of Crewkerne parish.

Martin Holley, from the Rotary Club of Crewkerne District, introduced himself and led the walk.

He explained that Crewkerne has the benefit of many green lanes and footpaths and it is possible to use them to keep very close to and on the boundary line.

The advantage of a parish boundary walk is that, although in total it's more than six miles, there are points along it where people can cut back into town after two and four miles.

The walk was organised by the Rotary Club of Crewkerne District, Crewkerne Town Council and Blackmore Vale Community Rail partnership.

The weather was favourable and the first part of the walk, up the valley behind the church, was accomplished at a brisk pace.

Meeting the boundary at Saunders Piece Lane, the group paused for some information from Gail Coleshill about beating the bounds and the boundary along Cathole Bridge Road before turning north-east along the boundary line to Shutteroaks bridge.

Mr Holley said: "Sadly there was no evidence of the reputed boundary post there any more. Local residents were able to direct us back up the so-called Devil's Staircase footpath, which certainly was a bit of a climb.

"The boundary was too difficult to follow at this point so we made for Crow Castle Lane."

■ "BOUNDERS" crossing a stile into a field, with Rotary members Caroline Dredge and Sarah Holley in the high-vis vests *Picture courtesy of Gail Coleshill*

Following the footpath to Crow Castle, the walkers had to clamber over a fallen tree.

Town councillor Rusty Jackson took the opportunity to say she would get on to the footpath officer later to get it cleared out of the way.

The boundary was rejoined at Longstrings Lane and then across the A30 to Easthams Lane but the party preferred the prettier route via Butts Quarry Lane, ending with its fine views over the valley towards Station Road.

Many of the walkers were still in the group and, following the line of the boundary on footpaths, made it to the top of Lang Road. It was decided that finishing the boundary by walking along Cathole Bridge Road was not a good idea in view of the traffic and so it was back into town.

Mr Holley was impressed by the walkers' stamina and said: "It was ideal weather for our walk, so most people made it at least halfway round and I was impressed by how many made it right to the end.

"It was great to see such a lot of people joining us for the afternoon and they all said how much they enjoyed it and would join us next year too."

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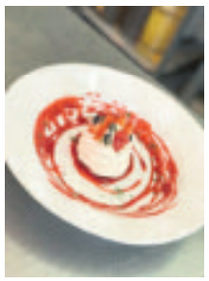

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Our highly successful Sunday Carvery (now in its 20th year) boasts the addition of a sumptuous Seafood bar bursting with fresh fish primarily sourced from Lyme Bay. Instead of our legendary Carvery of four meats, six vegetables and roasties etc, you may now enjoy a seasonal fish platter as a starter or main course or combine the two. If you really want to push the 'boat' out why not finish off with one of our delicious homemade desserts and refreshing glass of prosecco.
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From conferences to family parties, we have a number of function suites including the spectacular Great Tithe barn to suit both private & corporate events, with prices for every pocket.

Alongside this we have our hotel with 21 bedrooms in the Coach House & Georgian Mill house plus Four newly refurbished original Showman's Wagons fully Ensuite
From a quiet pint in our beautiful gardens to that special celebration Haselbury Mill has it all.
For information on upcoming events, Special offers & menus please see our website.

www.haselburymill.co.uk **or call 01460 77095**

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A night of folk with The Farey Family

THE Henhayes Community Centre will be hosting the Farey Family on Friday 29th September. They are a very talented local family who perform folk and country style music with wonderful harmonies. The concert starts at 7.45pm with a pre-concert supper of Steak and Ale pie with vegetables (or a vegetarian alternative) followed by Apple Crumble served at 6.30pm. Supper must be prebooked. The Bar will be open at 6pm for pre dinner drinks and will be open all evening. Concert only tickets at £10 and with supper £18.

Jemima Farey is the eldest of four daughters in a family of six; they are an extremely musical family and have been singing and playing together for years and are slowly becoming more recognized within the area, playing original compositions and traditional folk, gospel and country songs. (www.fareyfamily.co.uk)

Jemima is a young folk/country musician who writes original songs incorporating many themes including family, loved ones and cherished places. Her uncomplicated yet delicate guitar work provides the perfect accompaniment for her strong and mesmerising vocal. Performing live as a solo act, Jemima is a true and captivating performer and fundamentally what comes through in her music is her unforced and genuine passion for music and story telling.

Please contact the Henhayes Centre on 01460 74340 or email henhayescentre@btconnect.com to purchase or order tickets.

Supper tickets must be booked and paid for in advance.

Re-launched!

The Arts Society Neroche South Somerset

THE ARTS SOCIETY flourishes in our area. Known until this year as the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies (NADFAS), it rebranded in May and changed its name. There are over 380 separate branches of the Society across the UK plus more around the world, all aiming to promote the arts and inform people who would like to learn more about them.

Our local branch - The Arts Society Neroche South Somerset - meets very near The Seavingtons in the conference centre at Frogmary Green Farm, South Petherton, just down the lane that runs alongside the Lopen Raj restaurant. For anyone who isn't sure, Neroche was the name of a Norman motte and bailey castle in South Somerset's Blackdown Hills. The word has featured in the local Society's name since it was founded in 1973, the first NADFAS branch in south west England.

If you love the arts in their widest sense, you might like to join Neroche, both to enjoy its programme of events and to meet like minded local people. New members are always welcome and those who want to get a taster first can come along to up to two lectures in any season, for a small contribution. Each season also features Visits and in depth Study Days held at Monks Yard Ilminster, both open to non members if there are spare places.

This is a great time to consider membership as our new programme of illustrated lectures, delivered by experienced and nationally recognised experts, starts in October. We then meet monthly at 7.15pm, usually on the first Monday, until the following July.

Lecture one on October 2nd will be "Basingstoke and its contribution to World Culture". If that doesn't sound arts connected (we did say arts "in their widest sense") bear in mind that the lecture will take a light hearted look at one of the ugliest episodes in English architectural history while also revealing the older Basingstoke buried beneath the post war concrete, plus the few historic gems that have survived.

To find out more about the Society and its 2017-18 programme, visit the website www.theartssocietynerochesouthsomerset.org.uk or email info@theartssocietynerochesouthsomerset.org.uk.

Wille and the Bandits to rise at the Phoenix

WILLE and the Bandits go further than is expected of a band operating in the Rock arena, they are carrying the genre into unknown territory, mixing award winning musicianship with the ability to produce intoxicating songs without compromise. Each Bandit can be seen at points playing instruments simultaneously, some of which, such as the tongue drum, mohan venna and djembe, are rarely seen in western music and almost never in the Blues Rock scene.

The lyrics of many of Wille Edwards' songs delve deep. Some lead us through a journey of self realisation, others paint a picture that unashamedly draws on global issues such as climate change and immigration for inspiration, but in a package which doesn't sound pretentious, forced or preachy. Like many great bands they deliver their message by the power of song, and when revealing the heavier angry side of their music they can rock out with the best as tours with Deep Purple have proven. And yet, the softer side of Wille and the Bandits has almost peotic, athemic qualities which draws comparisons with Bob Dylan and Ben Harper.

The bands' strength as musicians and their ability to pull in lovers of all types of music has seen them play Rock, Folk, Blues and Jazz festivals globally to critical acclaim. There are not many people who watch this band, regardless of music taste, and don't leave with their jaw firmly planted on the ground.

Fans of bands from Led Zeppelin and Pink Floyd to Pearl Jam and John Butler Trio should check this out. If you want to listen to a band that are taking Rock music into the next chapter than look no further than Wille and the Bandits.

Wille and the Bandits play live at the Phoenix in Exeter on Sunday, October 15th.Tickets are £12, available by calling 01392 667080 or visiting the website at www.exeterphoenix.org.uk

Jonathan Delbridge

A special performance from the 'King of Instruments'

JONATHAN Delbridge a highly talented organist, known as the 'King of Instruments', will be giving an exciting and varied concert showing off the full range of colours of the fantastic three manual Rothwell organ at St Bartholomew's Church in Crewkerne.

The programme will include Widor's Toccata, The Dambusters March and pieces from Mendelssohn. J S Bach and even Fats Waller.

The concert takes place on Sunday, October 8th at 3pm. Tickets are £8 (£10 on the door) and under 18s are free. Bar available. Tickets are available from Crewkerne Town Hall.

Diary Dates

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 19TH

AXMINSTER: Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the United Reformed Church, Chard Road. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.org.uk. 11am-12.30pm.

COLYFORD: Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

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CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

SEATON: Body Moves with Age UK Devon. Exercises for the over 50s at the Methodist Church, 11.45-12.45. All welcome, just come along or call 0333 241 2340 or email info@ageukdevon.co.uk

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH

HONITON: Honiton U3A meeting when they welcome their speaker and fellow U3A member Dr. Peter Williams whose talk is entitled - 'Other Worlds'. Following a revolution in recent years of the discovery of thousands of exoplanets, Peter will be discussing their implications and the possibilities of other worlds existing beyond our own solar system. At the Beehive Centre, Dowell Street. Doors open 1.30pm for 2pm start. Memebrs free and visitors welcome. Suggested donation of £2. For more details call 01404 598008.

SEATON: Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5 . All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details

CREWKERNE: Bingo at the Henhayes Centre – "eyes down" at 2pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games, cash prizes. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 21ST

AXMINSTER: Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Woodbury Wind (wind octet). At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

COLYTON: Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

CREWKERNE: English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-10pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

CHARD: Chard Camera Club meeting in the Baptist Church Hall at 7.30pm for an illustrated talk by Mr Duncan Armour entitled 'North to Scotland, Spitzbergen and Alaska'. A renowned photographer and judge Duncan will be delivering a long awaited talk to the members.

CLAPTON: Community Coffee Morning, hosted by Clapton & Wayford Village Hall from 10am – mid-day. There will be bacon rolls, a cake stall & a raffle; all contributions welcomed. Do come and join us, to support your local facility, whilst meeting friends & neighbours or getting to know new people; all welcome. More details from Julia (01460 72769)

AXMINSTER: Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10–11am. £3.50 (members £2.50)

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members, £3 for non- members.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 – 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520or 862866.

SEATON: Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 11am-1pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At The Marshlands Centre, Harbour Road, Seaton, EX12 2LT. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Nikki on 01297 631782, email nikki@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk for more information.

TATWORTH: Film: 'Their Finest' (cert 12a). At Tatworth Memorial Hall, doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. Call 01460 220198 for more details.

SEATON: Bingo in the Town Hall every Friday at 2pm. Cash prizes. Refreshments. Raffle. Good company. Any queries pleas ring 01297 20611.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Spanish Tapas Demonstration with Masterchef finalist Angela Langford Includes lots of tastings, a chance to help Angela in the kitchen and to ask lots of questions all enjoyed with a glass of wine or two! 7.00 - 9.00pm. Frogmary Green Farm. 01460 249758. www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

SHUTE: Leaf through the past landscape walk, Step back in time to explore the historic estate around Shute – its wildlife and fascinating history. 2.30pm - 4.30pm. Shute Literature and Landscape festival and Legacy to Landscape community heritage project event. All ages welcome. No booking necessary. Parking Shute village, Haddon Road, EX13 7QR. Meet village noticeboard at start of Haddon Road, (Shute Barton end) GR 253975 Full Shute Festival programme: www.shutefest.org.uk

AXMINSTER: Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

ILMINSTER: Somerset Wildlife Trust Ilminster/Chard group start their programme of Autumn/Winter indoor events with an illustrated talk entitled "The world of UK Bees: solitary & social". Daisy Headley, Conservation officer SW for Bumblebee Conservation Trust will give insight into the needs of UK bees, their natural histories, how to recognise them and how to encourage them into your garden. 7.30pm at Parish Hall, North Street, Ilminster TA19 0DG. Roadside and local car parks. £2 adult members, £3 non-members, no charge for children. Sales table and tea/coffee. Enquiries 01460 234551.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD

OTTERY ST MARY: Car Boot Sale at Ottery St Mary Bowling Club, Strawberry Lane. 11am-3pm. Sellers to arrive at 10.00am. Hot food and refreshments available. Turn up and sell!

AXMINSTER: Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24TH

SIDMOUTH: Pete Allen's Reeds Hot Four with Hilda Clemas (vocalist). At Kennaway House Cellar Bar. Featuring Pete Allen (clarinet), James Clemas (piano), Richie Bryant (drums), Dave Hanratty (bass). £13.50 on the door. 3-5.30pm (doors 2pm). Licensed bar, light snacks available. Car parking nearby.

CREWKERNE: Ana Manero " Piano Recital with a Latin American Zest"; 3pm St Bartholomew's Church. Ana is a highly talented pianist of Cuban/Venezuelan origin who plays with great emotional intensity. She has won multiple international music awards and she will play pieces by Beethoven, Chopin and Schumann together with the added pleasure of a selection of Latin American works. Tickets: £8 in advance (£10 on the door) available from Crewkerne Town Hall or Ian on 01460 271400 or Jeremy on 01935 816764.

SHUTE: Leaf through the past landscape walk, Shute Literature and Landscape festival event. 2pm – 4pm. Shute Literature and Landscape festival and Legacy to Landscape community heritage project event. All ages welcome. No booking necessary. Parking Shute village, Haddon Road, EX13 7QR. Meet village noticeboard at start of Haddon Road, (Shute Barton end) GR 253975. Full Shute Festival programme: www.shutefest.org.uk

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings - weekly listings without dates may not be published.

Aladdinsane at the Marine Theatre

ALADDINSANE, a Tribute to the late David Bowie, will be appearing at the Marine Theatre on Friday, September 22nd at 8pm.

Bowie was a legend; through his timeless music and many incarnations; from Ziggy Stardust to the Thin White Duke, into the 80's and beyond. Now you can hear the sound and experience the vision through the performance of Paul Henderson and Aladdinsane, widely acclaimed as the best Bowie tribute in the UK.

Aladdinsane have played theatres and venues across the country for the past 10 years and have received rave reviews. People who have worked with David Bowie have said Paul's vocals, moves and mannerisms are eerily close to this great legend.

Performing classic songs like Starman, Heroes, Life On Mars, Jean Genie, Golden Years, Let's Dance, China Girl, Ashes To Ashes, Drive In Saturday, Diamond Dogs and many more including classic album tracks. You won't be disappointed.

Aladdinsane, a Tribute to the late David Bowie is on Friday, September 22nd at 8pm. Tickets are £16 and can be bought online at www.marinetheatre.com or by telephoning the Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre 01297 442138 (10% booking fee applies).

■ Aladdinsane

The Kingdom of Paul Nash

An illustrated ballad, a celebration of love and surrealism

BRINGING lyrical live music, beautiful animation and a narrative based on artist Paul Nash's time spend in Dorset.

In the 1930s artist Paul Nash, still haunted by the hellish visions of the trenches, adrift of an artistic vision of his own, found life and love amidst Dorset's coast and ancient ruins. Here he fell in love with fellow surrealist Eileen Agar and his version of English Surrealism took flight.

The appalling experiences he endured, first as a soldier and later as an official war artist, prompted him to create paintings of disturbing, lasting power. Nash died in a guesthouse in Bournemouth, having spent his last days revisiting the places in Dorset that had inspired his surrealism.

The Cabinet of Living Cinema, a collective of Dorset based musicians, film-makers, animators and artists, who specialise in creating live music for film, bring to life Nash's artistic and philosophical ideas in their new performance combining lilting score with film and animation.

'The Kingdom of Paul Nash' comes to Royal Manor Theatre, 138A Fortuneswell, Portland on Saturday, September 23rd at 7.30pm. Call the box office on 03336 663366 or visit www.royalmanortheatre.co.uk.

The show then comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Sunday, September 24th at 8pm. Tickets are £12/£10, available from the box office on 01297 442138 or online at www.marinetheatre.com

Diary Dates

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH

MISTERTON: Bingo at the village hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Awareness September Meeting. Guest Speaker: Jo Pearce on 'Psychic Surgery'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm - 9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments). Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia 01460 351019

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre – 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for non- members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 – 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

COLYTON: Promote Colyton Group AGM and Social Evening. 7.30pm at Sunday School, St Andrews Church, Colyton. All welcome to join us for a drink and talk about forthcoming events. For more info: Jacquie 01297 552626

WINSHAM: Winsham Art Club workshop. Autumn Colours with tutor Sue Cullen. In Jubilee Hall, Church Street, opposite the village shop. All new members welcome. Members £5, non-members £6. For more details call 01460 432032.

AXMINSTER: Chair Yoga-size. Bradshaw Room, Thomas Whitty House, Silver Street (next to Heritage Centre) 10.30am-11.30am. For more details call 07976 312541.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26TH

COLYFORD: Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

SEATON: Cooking For One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 11-12.30pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure and modified diets (eg puree/fork mashable). At The Marshlands Centre, Harbour Road, Seaton, EX12 2LT. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Nikki on 01297 631782 for more information, or email nikki@halff.org.uk.

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HONITON: Hospiscare Coffee Morning at the Mackarness Hall, 9am-12noon. Various stalls and homemade cakes and jams for sale.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH

COLYFORD: The Whole Hog. Demonstration with Clinton Bonner from award winning Butchers Bonners of Ilminster. How to cut and joint a pig, a fun and informative evening with the promise of a pork and apple burger as well of lots of interesting pork facts and cooking advice. 7.30 - 9.00pm. Frogmary Green Farm. 01460 249758. www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

COLYTON: Colyton Parish History Society Evening talk given by Bruce Upton of Bridport Museum on 'The Power of Advertising' - a look back at how things used to be! Join us for an entertaining evening, 7.30pm at Colyton Town Hall. Non-Members £2, to include refreshments.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society talk at the village hall, 7.30pm. Leila Jackson of T3 Plants will talk about Salvias. Tea, coffee and biscuits available before and after the talk. Free for members, visitors £3.

AXMINSTER: Chair Yoga-size. Bradshaw Room, Thomas Whitty House, Silver Street (next to Heritage Centre) 10.30am-11.30am. For more details call 07976 312541.

CREWKERNE: Bingo at the Henhayes Centre – "eyes down" at 2pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games, cash prizes. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH

AXMINSTER: Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Colyton Grammar School - GCSE musicians. At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

COLYTON: Historical Walking Tours of Colyton.

Guest speakers announced for East Devon Luncheon Club

EAST DEVON Luncheon Club meet once a month in the comfortable surrounds of the Victorian Hotel, Sidmouth.

Each lunch is followed by an entertaining speaker. Guest speakers are:

- Hilary Kay from Antiques Roadshow, 'Treasures in your home', on October 17th;
- Merv Edgecombe, 'What Really Goes on Behind the News Headlines', on November 21st;
- Maggy Duffy, 'Songs and Music', on December 19th;
- Rev. Robin Laird, 'Life as an Army Padre', on January 16th 2018;
- Tony Davies, 'Ladies in the Sky', on February 20th;
- Angus Stevenson-Hamilton, 'Policing in Hong Kong', on March 20th 2018.

For more details see the advert below.

Horticultural Society's table top sales resume

BEER Horticultural Society resume their series of Table Top Sales in the Mariners Hall, Beer on Saturday, September 23rd. Doors are open from 8am for Sellers and to the Public from 9am - 12.30pm.

Bacon and Sausage Baps are once again available from 9am - midday and all Tables are fully booked. All proceeds go towards planting and maintenance of the floral displays in the village.

We hope you will come along and support us and maybe find a bargain!

EAST DEVON LUNCHEON CLUB

Meets monthly from October to March, providing an opportunity to make new friends in the comfortable atmosphere of the Victorian Hotel, Sidmouth.

Lunch is followed by an entertaining speaker. A few places are now available. Should you wish to join us you would be most welcome. For further details please telephone the Membership Secretary 01395 519632

BEER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
TABLE TOP SALE
SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, MARINERS HALL BEER
DOORS OPEN FROM 9am - 12.30pm
Sellers from 8am.
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM 9am.
TABLE HIRE £6 FOR ONE OR £10 FOR TWO.
TO BOOK A TABLE, CONTACT AUDREY ON 01297-20048

The Henhayes Community Centre in Crewkerne
Open to all 5 days a week
for lunch, tea or coffee 9am to 4.30pm
and Saturday mornings
for coffee or tea and cakes
from 10am to 12 noon
Licensed premises
The Centre can also be hired
LOOK WHAT'S ON

Tickets are now available for
THE FAREY FAMILY
Concert to be held on
Friday 29th September
Concert only £10, with supper £18
Doors open 6pm, Supper 6.30pm, Concert 7.45pm

Saturday 30th September
BREAKFAST/BRUNCH
10am – 12noon (Last order 11.30am)
Sausage, Bacon, Egg, Beans or Tomato, Toast, Tea or Coffee £4.00
Extras available at 50p each

The Henhayes Community Centre, South Street Car Park, Crewkerne
Tel: 01460 74340

ILMINSTER
arts centre
AT THE MEETING HOUSE

CREATIVE COVERAGE
until Sat 30 September
Paintings by Joanna Commings ASWAC, Lin Williams, Patricia Regnart, Erica Herbert and Jan Gay. In the Café Gallery.

TAKE FIVE
Until Sat 30 September
Paintings and mixed media artworks by five West Country artists.

ROBERTS/ EXALL QUINTET
Friday 29 September 8pm
Ebullient mainstream jazz.
Tickets £16 (pre-show supper £14 at 7pm, must be pre-booked).

Box Office: 01460 54973
www.themeetinghouse.org.uk
info@themeetinghouse.org.uk
East Street, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 0AN
Open Mon-Fri 9.30-4.30, Sat 9.30-2.30

Diary Dates

Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

CREWKERNE: English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-10pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

CHARD: Chard Camera Club members will be meeting up in the Baptist Church Hall, Holyrood Street to hold a selection evening in order to select their images to be entered into the Kingswood Salver Competition.

ILMINSTER: Ilminster Thursday Group weekly talks at the Warehouse Theatre TA19 9AD Joan the Fair Maid of Kent 9.15 for 10.15 Further details 01460 259596

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10–11am. £3.50 (members £2.50)

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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 862866.

HAWKCHURCH: Macmillan Coffee Morning at the village hall, 10am-12noon. Teas, coffee, cakes, raffle, various stalls.

CREWKERNE: Concert with the Farey Family – Country/Folk music with wonderful harmonies. Tickets £10, with pre-concert supper £18. Ring Henhayes Centre for tickets. 01460 74340

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH

AXMINSTER: Seichim Reiki Healing & Workshop. 10.30am-5pm. £45, To secure your place a £10.00 deposit is required. Limited places so please book early. Please bring a pack lunch - All beverages are included. Please contact Maggi Marciniak on 01297 32095 or 07951402717

SEATON: Seaton and Axmouth branch of Cancer Research UK Jumble Sale at Gateway, Seaton Town Hall. Doors 10am, admission 30p, children under 14 free. Books, bric-a-brac, jewellery, clothing, cards, coffee, and cakes and raffle.

CREWKERNE: Breakfast/Brunch at Henhayes Centre. 10am – 12noon (last order 11.30am). Basic breakfast £4.00 extras 50p each. No booking required.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1ST

SOUTH PETHERTON: Artisan Soft Cheese Making. This course will give you the skills to make lovely soft cheese in your kitchen at home. 9.45am - 2.30pm. Frogmary Green Farm. 01460 249758. www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

COLYFORD: Indoor Boot Sale at Colyford Memorial Hall. 9a-2pm. Tables £5. For more details call 01297 23591, or call 07891 486839

MONDAY OCTOBER 2ND

MISTERTON: Bingo at the village hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Autumn Preserving with Vivien Lloyd. Learn the best practices for preserving Autumn fruits and vegetables for the year ahead. 9.45am - 4.00pm. Frogmary Green Farm. 01460 249758. www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

CAR BOOT SALE
AXMINSTER SHOWGROUND • EX13 7RA
Every Sunday 1-4pm
On 50 acre site, all sellers, cars, vans & trailers
£8 for as much room as required.
No Dogs allowed on site
Strictly no helpers or buyers before 1pm
Car parking £1
No need to book, gates open to sellers 11am
For further information tel: 07979 345914
Ice cream sellers and food outlets wanted
Tel 07535 584950 to book

Jazz Jurassica's recipe to banish the winter blues

JAZZ JURASSICA, Lyme Regis's first pop up jazz supper club, is about to launch its second season in the town next month. Coming hot on the heels of last year's sell-out series, organisers say they'll continue the winning formula of top class jazz to banish winter blues in the cooler part of the year.

The new programme, which starts on October 14th and runs to March 10th, promises a menu of jazz, blues, swing and funk, featuring locally and nationally acclaimed performers, combined with a two-course supper for the ultimate Saturday night out.

The forthcoming season welcomes a wealth of talent starting with the Louise Parker Quartet (October 14), Fliss Gorst Quartet with Canadian singer, Lauren Bush (December 9), Leigh Coleman with Matt Carter Trio (January 13), Maggie Reeday Quartet (February 10) and Duncan Anselm Quartet with guitar maestro, Nigel Price (March 10).

On November 11th, Jazz Jurassica and Marine Theatre, with support from the town's branch of The Royal British Legion, host a special concert, 'We'll Meet Again', by Swing Unlimited Big Band, which celebrates the Remembrance weekend with wartime swing classics in a moving and uplifting tribute.

Julie Sheppard, Jazz Jurassica director said, "We hope our programme will continue to appeal to all music lovers by providing something different for a memorable evening's entertainment. When we first set up Jazz Jurassica last year we had no idea it would prove so popular but the entire series sold out very quickly.

"This year we'll be using two different venues – The Bay before Xmas and then Marine Theatre after Xmas when The Bay is closed for renovation. But our winning formula remains the same - a good Saturday night out combining great music and delicious food for an inclusive ticket price (£22). And of course, we still have the unbeatable seaside setting of Lyme Bay ....Ronnie Scott's eat your heart out!"

Booking in advance is essential because of limited capacity. Full programme information and how to buy tickets from www.lymeregisjazzfestival .co.uk/jazz-jurassica/.

A printed programme and tickets are also available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138.

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PURPLE Rain are a world class live celebration of the music, life and legacy of Prince. This full eight-piece live band delivers a non-stop, hit packed show spanning more than two hours!

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1999, Little Red Corvette, Purple Rain, Kiss, Diamonds And Pearls, U Got The Look, When Doves Cry, Cream, I Wanna Be Your Lover and so many more...

Hailed by original Prince and the Revolution drummer Bobby Z as "authentic and on the money", do not miss your chance to see Purple Rain live.."

Purple Rain play live at Yeovil's Octagon Theatre on Saturday, September 23rd at 8pm. Tickets are £23.50, available by calling 01935 422884 or online at the website www.octagontheatre.co.uk.

Age Recommendation: 14+. A £1 Ticket Levy is included in all stated ticket prices.

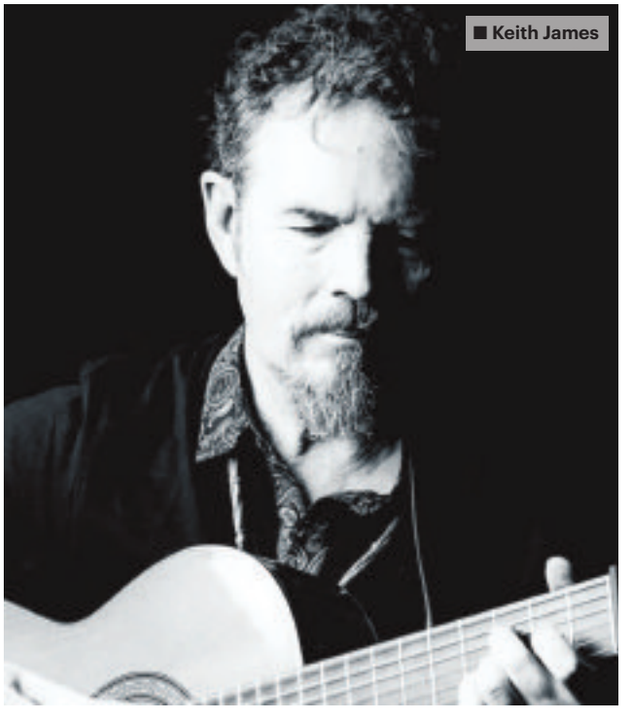
Keith James sings the songs of Leonard Cohen

ACOUSTIC guitarist and singer Keith James, himself a songwriter and a fine exponent of the genre of folk and modern folk, is a favourite amongst Radio 2 listeners, and a big producer of folk and roots music. Currently he's recreating the music of one of his favourite artists and touring under the banner of 'The Songs of Leonard Cohen', which is also the title of Cohen's first album.

Keith plays the songs in his own way. His playing and understanding of the mighty Leonard is that of a true craftsman, which does more than justice to his songs, He also plays tribute to Federico Garcia Lorca, who was a huge influence on Cohen as a poet, and puts to music several poems by Cohen himself.

Keith knows we are all here to celebrate Cohen, and that we are all, musicians and audience alike, there for the same reason. His set is full of joy, rather than just being readings of the songs. They are his versions, of course, and brings an added dimension to Cohen's iconic lyrics, while conscious of the need to retain the original ethos of Cohen's work.

A soft-spoken raconteur, he introduces each of the songs and builds a wonderful picture of Cohen and a rapport with his audience. Keith will be performing The Songs of Leonard Cohen at the Beehive on Saturday, September 23rd at 7.30pm. Box office: 01404 384050.



■ Keith James

Out of the Ashes and into the Beehive

AUTHOR Michael Morpurgo's novel 'Out Of The Ashes' is adapted for the stage by local director, Alex Jackson.

After a sell-out success at Exeter's new Boatshed venue this summer, Honiton's Amelia Hibbert will be appearing at The Beehive as young Becky Morely in Michael Morpurgo's 'Out of the Ashes'. This is the tale of Becky's life on her Devon Farm and how things drastically change during the outbreak of Foot & Mouth disease. Actor Chelsea Marie deftly performs various different roles in this poignant adaptation.

The performance takes you through the joys of living in the South West's rural countryside and the momentous effect foot and mouth disease had on British farming.

The show will be performed at The Beehive on Saturday, September 30th at 7.30pm. Tickets available by calling 01404 384050 or online at the website www.beehivehoniton.co.uk

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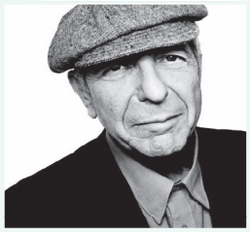

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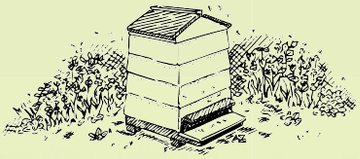

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Interview: Week beginning 9th October 2017

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Over 29,000 of the 40,000 homes were private sector - a decrease of 7% on the same period a year ago (31,381). Most notably, however, a significant increase could be seen in the registration of homes in the affordable sector - 11,220 new homes, which is a 19% increase from 2016 (9,429).

A number of larger Housing Associations are developing homes specifically for private sales, market rent and with shared ownership opportunities - as well as joint ventures with the private sector becoming more commonplace - in a quest to provide more affordable housing, and it's these that are contributing to this continued rise.

Chris White, Sales Manager at Mayfair Town & Country Crewkerne, commented: "The demand for housing is as strong as ever – particularly in the affordable sector - so these statistics are very encouraging and certainly promising news for those hoping to get on the property ladder."

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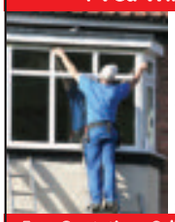

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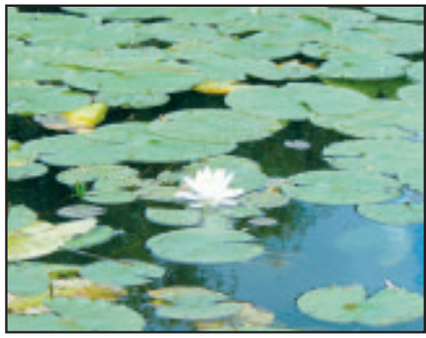

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Hachigo-san made the commitment as he unveiled Honda's new electric vehicle, the Urban EV Concept. "This is not some vision of the distant future; a production version of this car will be here in Europe in 2019," he added, confirming that the concept is set to become a reality within two years.

Honda's Urban EV Concept is built on a completely new platform, and showcases advanced technology within a simple and sophisticated design. The Honda emblem on the concept is backlit in blue, which previews a new styling feature for the company's future EVs.

At a global level, Honda aims to have electrified technology in two thirds of its new car sales by 2030. In Europe, the target year is 2025, as interest is particularly strong. "Here in Europe, we see this move towards electrification gathering pace at an even higher rate than elsewhere," Hachigo-san commented, adding that Europe was therefore particularly appropriate for the global premiere of the "next step" in Honda's 'Electric Vision' strategy.

Philip Ross, Senior Vice President of Honda Motor Europe, followed Hachigo-san by introducing the new CR-V Hybrid Prototype. "On sale from 2018, this vehicle will be the first Honda hybrid SUV sold here in Europe," he said.

The CR-V Hybrid powertrain delivers real-world efficiency and effortless driveability. The i-MMD (Intelligent Multi-Mode Drive) two-motor system does not need a conventional transmission – instead, a more compact multi-mode unit with a single fixed-gear ratio delivers torque seamlessly to the wheels.

Mr Ross also announced the new Honda Power Manager Concept, a fully integrated energy transfer system that can distribute electricity to and from the main grid, as well as directing power flow from renewable sources and managing the interaction of an electric vehicle battery connected to the home.

"When appropriate, Power Manager can draw on energy from the EV battery to power the home, and minimise the demand from the main grid," said Mr Ross. "It even allows energy stored in the EV to be sold back to the grid to generate an income for the owner."

Honda is participating in a trial in western France, where Power Manager units will be installed in a pilot scheme, as part of the development of a regional 'smart grid' to be completed by 2020.

■ Honda Urban EV Concept - Front

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FORD is updating its established Mondeo line-up with new sports and luxury models aimed at both fleet and private buyers.

The former seven series making up the Mondeo range will be simplified to five. The new Zetec Edition becomes the entry level Mondeo, now priced at £19,445.

From Zetec Edition, Mondeo buyers have the choice of either prioritising the sporty specification of the existing ST-Line and new ST-Line Edition, or the luxury credentials of the new Titanium Edition model and range-topping Vignale.

All five models have navigation, DAB, autonomous braking to mitigate or avoid low-speed collisions at under 31mph, front/rear parking sensors and cruise control with speed limiter as standard. ST-Line series introduce extras including front, rear and side body styling, lowered sports suspension, Ford Power start button and darkened headliner. Privacy glass and 19in rock metallic alloy wheels are added on the ST-Line Edition.

The new Titanium Edition, which includes a hybrid petrol engine with 92g CO2 among its powertrains, boasts premium leather heated seats, with front 10-way power adjustment. Since launch in Mondeo in 2015, Vignale has grown to represent 13 per cent of orders. At the start of this year a Vignale Nero appearance pack was introduced – comprising 19in dark tarnish alloys and darkened fog lamp bezels, lower grille and side strips – and now becomes standard Mondeo Vignale specification.

Over 85 per cent of Ford Mondeos are driven by professionals as a company or lease car, meaning that they pay a "benefit in kind" tax based on its OTR (on the road) price. To minimise tax liability, OTR prices are reduced by £3,000 (on Vignale), £2,500 (on Zetec and ST-Line Editions) and £2,000 (on Titanium Edition) – meaning savings of up to £720 over three years (on ST-Line Edition 2.0 TDCi 150PS, for 40 per cent tax payer) plus £300 on the employer's fleet National Insurance costs.

These prices translate into keen lease rates for a higher specification car, thanks to improved residual values for the updated range according to CAP. Ford Lease monthly payments for the Titanium Edition 2.0 TDCi 150PS five door are maintained at £258 over three years.

Favoured by private buyers, the Ford Mondeo ST-Line is priced just £3,500 above the entry level Zetec Edition at £22,945.

■ Ford Mondeo Vignale

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Oldland Abbots	10	9	18
Bishop Sutton	10	1	18
Chippenham Park	11	1	17
Wincanton	10	0	17
Warminster	10	4	14
Devizes	9	3	14
Roman Glass SG	8	8	13
Keynsham	5	10	12
Welton Rovers	8	7	12
Radstock	9	-2	11
Malmesbury Vic	7	0	10
Almondsbury	11	-5	10
Bishops Lydeard	9	-8	10
Ash & Backwell	9	-3	9
Calne Town	9	-11	9
Portishead	10	-11	9
CHARD TOWN	9	-6	8
Sherborne Town	10	-10	8
Corsham Town	9	-11	8
Cheddar	9	-7	7

Somerset Prem	Pld	GD	Pts
Clevedon Utd	7	8	16
Chilcompton Sp	6	10	15
Watchet Town	7	9	14
Nailsea & Tickn	6	13	12
Middlezoy Rov	7	4	12
Fry Club	7	1	10
ILMINSTER TN	7	1	10
Nailsea Utd	7	-2	9
Shirehampton	6	3	8
Clutton	6	0	8
Stockwood Wand	7	-1	6
Wrington Redhill	6	-3	6
Stockwood Green	6	-1	5
Bridgwater Res	8	-8	5
Wells City	7	-12	5
Odd Down Res	8	-14	5
Staplegrove	6	-8	4

Somerset D1W	Pld	GD	Pts
Somerton Town	6	23	16
Worle	6	21	16
Uphill Castle	6	17	15
Berrow & Highb	6	10	15
Portishead Res	7	3	13
Nail & Tick' Res	8	-1	13
Glastonbury	7	6	11
Minehead AFC	6	3	10
Yatton & Cleeve	6	8	9
Burnham Utd	5	7	9
Winscombe	6	1	8
Street Res	6	2	4
Clevedon Utd Res	7	-18	4
Ash & Backwll Res	5	-9	3
Weston St Johns	6	-15	3
COMBE ST NIC	6	-22	1
Congresbury	5	-36	0

D&E Div 1 (28)	Pld	GD	Pts
Lyme Regis	4	10	10
Cullompton Res	3	9	7
Lapford	3	12	6
Chard Town Res	3	-4	6
Colyton	2	4	4
Chagford	3	2	4
Perry Street	2	3	3
Bickleigh	2	-3	3
Alphington Res	4	-14	3
Wellington Res	3	-6	1
Heavitree Res	2	-8	1
Exeter Univ Res	0	0	0
Sidmouth Res	2	-2	0
Dawlish Utd	1	-3	0

D&E Div 5 (26)	Pld	GD	Pts
Lyme Regis Res	4	6	10
Ilminster Res	3	3	5
Hemyock	4	1	5
Central	2	1	4
Halwill Res	3	0	4
Millwey Rise	2	4	3
Elmore Res	1	4	3
Culm Utd	3	2	3
Awliscombe	3	-6	3
Black Swan Town	1	0	1
Dunkeswell Rov	0	0	0
Offwell Rangers	1	-3	0
Exwick Village	1	-4	0
Westexe Park	2	-8	0

P Street Prem (20)	Pd	GD	Pts
Shepton Beau	2	12	6
South Petherton	2	6	6
Winsham Utd	3	4	6
W & M Chinnock	1	4	3
Merriott Rovers	1	2	3
Barrington	0	0	0
Misterton	1	-3	0
Combe Res	1	-3	0
Chard Utd	1	-4	0
Netherbury	2	-8	0
Pymore	2	-10	0

P Street D1 (20)	Pld	GD	Pts
Halstock	3	12	9
Waytown Hounds	2	3	6
Uplyme	1	3	3
Shepton Beau Res	2	1	3
Hawkchurch Utd	1	1	3
Forton Rangers	1	1	3
Chard Rangers	2	-3	0
Ilminster Colts	1	-3	0
Perry Street Res	2	-4	0
Farway Utd	1	-5	0
Drimpton	2	-6	0

Perry St D2 (20)	Pld	Gd	Pts
Charmouth	3	6	9
Thorncombe	3	5	7
Misterton Res	3	1	6
Crewkerne Rang	1	1	3
Chard Utd Res	3	4	3
Forton Res	1	3	3
Dowlish & Don	2	1	3
S.Petherton Res	2	-2	0
Combe A	1	-3	0
Kingsbury	1	-3	0
Winsham Utd Res	3	-13	0

Perry St D3 (18)	Pld	GD	Pts
Crew Rang Res	3	8	9
Ilminster Town A	2	5	6
Merriott Dynamos	2	4	6
Donyatt Utd	3	1	6
Chard Rangers Res	2	3	3
Lyme Rovers	2	2	3
Thorncombe Res	3	-3	3
Netherbury Res	2	-5	0
Farway Utd Res	2	-7	0
Chard Utd AS	3	-8	0

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Late, late whistle leaves win in doubt

Collins is Street hat trick hero - Brain hits four

Chard Town 4 Westbury Utd 2
Toolstation League (D1) – att; 73

THERE was controversy at Zembard Lane Lane where referee Kevin Rodd abandoned the game deep into added time at the end of the match with just 37 seconds remaining!

The rain certainly swamped the Chard pitch but the remarkable decision has created doubt as to whether the result will stand. The decision will be made by the League management committee.

Andy Holmes gave The Robins the lead with just two minutes on the clock when he headed home Liam Cleal's corner kick.

The lead was doubled in the 20th minute through Max Westlake who then turned provider with a cross that was headed on by Alex Stafie to James Boyland who finished well to make it 3-0 against the league leaders at the interval.

The advantage was extended just four minutes after the interval when Stafie crossed for skipper Taoufik Ben Salem to head home via an upright.

And it could have got even better for Chard. Stafie was felled in the box but Westlake's resulting spot kick was well saved.

The visitors pulled one back midway through the second half Josh Ferguson and Ricky Hulbert then made it 4-2 in the 85th minute just ahead of referee Rodd's controversial decision.

Next up for the Robins is the visit of Radstock Town on Wednesday (7.30pm).

***Chard**: Jon Hill, Ben Haines, Andy Homes, Leigh Bailey, Nick Jacobs, Max Westlake, Matt Howell, Liam Cleal (Jack Dicker 77), James Boyland, Taoufik Ben Salem (capt), Alex Stafie.*

Wrington Redhill 0
Ilminster Town 0
Somerset League Premier

ILMINSTER travelled down the busy M5 and arrived just 30 minutes before kick off.

The hosts had the first chance but Blues keeper Chris May pulled off a stunning save.

Wrington continued to press and missed a one-on-one chance.

Ilminster's best chance fell to Jake Woodard whose free header went wide.

In the second half a change of formation created a couple of chances for Ilminster with Lee Sweet and Taylor Jefferson both shooting narrowly wide.

But the hosts wasted the best opportunity of the match.

Uncertainty by Luke Paul ended with keeper May bringing down a home player inside the box.

But the gloveman atoned for his mistake by saving the resulting penalty and the game petered out to a draw. Ilminster were the happier of the teams as they couldn't quite get going after their rushed pre-match preparations.

Ilminster entertain Stockwood Wanderers next Saturday (3pm).

Portishead Town Res 3
Combe St Nicholas 1
Somerset League D1 (W)

COMBE may have tatsted another defeat on Saturday, but new manager Neil Holt is in upbeat mood: "I was really pleased with how all of the players gave 100 per cent. I feel the turning point is now not far away."

Holt gave debuts at this level to teenagers Oliver Davey and Jack Watson and both did well.

The hosts were soon in control and led at 2-0 at half time. A third soon after the interval made the points safe but Combe did at least have a Camerson Barfoot goal to show for their efforts.

The Saints welcome Glastonbury next Saturday (3pm).

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE
PERRY STREET 6 BICKLEIGH 2
Division One

DAN Collins netted a hat trick as Perry Street banked their first ever Division one points with an impressive team performance at Tatworth on Saturday.

Street had a couple of strong penalty appeals turned down before Sam Johnson volleyed home a cracker from the corner of the box after 25 minutes .

Bickleigh levelled soon after but the hosts regained the lead when Collins pounced on the loose ball after the visiting keeper had parried a Billy Sheahan shot.

The third quarter was all Perry Street. Sam Rowswell made it 3-1 from 25 yards out before Tom Perry got on the scoresheet after being put through by Ben Mear.

Collins then struck twice to complete his hat trick before the visitors grabbed a late consolation.

Perry Street welcome Exwick Villa for an East Devon Senior Cup R1 tie next Saturday (2pm) while, after a weekend off, Division One colleagues CHARD TOWN RESERVES return to league action with the visit of Bickleigh.

ILMINSTER RES 0 LYME REGIS RES 0
Division Five

TWO of the early Division Five frontrunners clashed at the Archie Gooch pavilion Ground where Ilminster Town Reserves and Lyme Regis Reserves shared the spoils after a goal less draw.

Matt Morgan earned Blues' manager James Govier's vote as MoM in a game where both sides had chances to clinch the three points but failed to convert at the critical moments.

The result preserves Ilminster's long unbeaten home run which now stretches back more than a year. Ilminster are away at Black Swan Town next Saturday.

SOMERSET JUNIOR CUP R1
WOOLAVINGTON 2 MISTERTON 1

MISTERTON's county cup interest ended in a scrappy defeat at Taunton & District League side Woolavington who subsequently earned a second round tie at home against South Petherton.

◆ **LIKELY CHALLENGERS:** Halstock, managed by Adge Diment (front row, extreme right), appear well-equipped to fight for a return to the Perry Street League Premier Division having won the Division Two title last season. ***Photo by HFC***

"We were poor with our possession and didn't create enough chances, it was very frustrating," said Missy Player-manager Scott Jennings.

The hosts led 2-0 at half time and, despite enjoying the lion's share of the second half the visitors could only muster a consolation via an Elliott Calvert header.

SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE R1

FORTON Rangers were handed free passage through to round two after scheduled visitors AFC Nailsea failed to raise a team, but both Chard Rangers and South Petherton Res were knocked out.

Louis Hockey scored Pethy's consolation in a 2-1 reverse at Meadow Rangers while an AJ Evans strike couldn't save Rangers who were beaten 4-1 at home by Bath Villa.

PERRY STREET LEAGUE PREMIER
SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP 8 PYMORE 1

JORDAN Brain was the star of the show with four goals as Shepton Beauchamp crushed new boys Pymore at Brimgrove Lane.

The writing was on the wall after just 37 seconds when Aaron Sweet found the top corner with a superb strike.

It was soon 2-0 as Brain notched his first after visiting keeper Charlie Youngs' attempted clearance struck one of his own defenders.

Skipper Doug Whitfield showed good control to chest the ball down and volley home to make it 3-0. Kieran Howells came off the bench to score twice for Shepton who led 4-0 at half time. Tim Hussey netted the Pymore consolation 20 minutes from time.

NETHERBURY 0 SOUTH PETHERTON 3

SOUTH Petherton appear destined for another title challenge after a workmanlike 3-0 win in West Dorset.

Danny Rendell thought he's opened the scoring with a superb free kick which came down off the bar and appeared to cross the line, but referee Steve Ridler disagreed.

However, Rendall wasn't to be denied and bagged the opener before half time.

Dom May slotted under the visiting keeper to double the lead 10 minutes into the second half and Ash Smith chipped home number three.

But it wasn't all good news for Pethy who lost the returning Lee Richards through injury on the hour mark, "It looks like it might be long term," said Pethy boss Karl Diment.

WINSHAM UTD 0 MERRIOTT ROVERS 2

GOALS from Liam Riste and Chad Mallett saw Merriott Rovers clinch their first Premier division points for five years.

Riste volleyed home from all of 25 yards to break the deadlock midway through the first half. The killer seocnd arrived 20 minutes from time when 16-year-old Mallett nodded home.

"We had a few out so it was a good win, we were always on top," said Rovers' boss Matt Bisgrove.

DIVISION ONE

HALSTOCK continued their fine start to the season with goals from Mark Whitmarsh (2) and Chris Tanner in a 3-0 win over visiting Ilminster Town Colts.

Other score: Drimpton 3 (B.Hayne, B.Dickinson, A.Chant) Waytown Hounds 5 (J.Legg 2, E.Guppy 2, D.Rumsby)

DIVISION TWO

DOWLISH & Donyatt chalked up their first league points of the season with a 4-1 win at Kingsbury.

Matt Baker scored twice for the Dodgers whose other goals came form Adam Payne and regular goalkeeper Sam Grinter who played the second half out on pitch with Andrew Male donning the gloves.

Over at Jocelyn Park two-goal Callum Preston was the matchwinner as Misterton Reserves breat hosts Chard United Reserves 2-1. Flavio Ribiero scored for Chard.

Other scores: Thorncombe 2 (A.Clist 2) Crewkerne Rangers 2 (J.Martin, M.Traynor), Chard Utd Res 1 (F.Ribiero) Misterton Res 2 (C.Preston 2), Charmouth 4 Winsham Utd Res 3 (T.Stead 2, C.Sutherland), Kingsbury 1 (D.Neate pen) Dowlish & Donyatt 4 (M.Baker 2, S.Grinter, A.Payne).

DIVISION THREE

CREWKERNE Rangers Reserves' perfect start to the season continued as goals from player manager Scott Isaacs (2), Mike Calverley and sub Ryan Forsey secured a 4-2 win against Thorncombe Reserves up at Lightgate Lane where Stuart Packer and Wayne Stanton netted for the Thorns.

But it was Darren Dabinett who claimed the individual goal scoring plaudits with four in Donyatt United's 5-2 win over Farway United Reserves. Louis Roper had the other for the hosts.

Other scores: Chard Utd AS 1 Ilminster Town A 4 (A.Carvell 2, R.Belton, J.Phillips) Donyatt Utd 5 (D.Dabinett 4, L.Roper) Farway Utd 2, Lyme Regis Rovers 4 (P.Peacock 2, F.McLean, OG) Netherbury Res 0, Thorncombe Res 2 (S.Packer, W.Stanton) Crewkerne Rangers Res 4 (S.Isaacs 2, M.Calverley, R.Forsey).

FIXTURES

Saturday, September 23rd
CORONATION CUP R1 (2pm)
Barrington v Combe St Nicholas Reserves
Pymore v West & Middle Chinnock
Shepton Beauchamp v Misterton
DIVISION ONE CUP R1 (2pm)
Halstock v Chard Rangers
PREMIER (2.30pm)
South Petherton v Merriott Rovers
Winsham Utd v Netherbury
DIVISION ONE
Farway Utd v Waytown Hounds (2pm)
Drimpton v Shepton Beauchamp Reserves
DIVISION TWO (2.30pm)
Crewkerne Rangers v Kingsbury Episc (2pm)
Combe A v South Petherton Reserves
Dowlish & Donyatt v Charmouth
Forton Rangers Res v Chard Utd Reserves
Misterton Reserves v Thorncombe
DIVISION THREE (2.30pm)
Chard Rangers Res v IlminsterTown A
Merriott Dynamos v Chard Utd All Stars
Netherbury Res v Thorncombe Reserves
Crewk Rangers Res v Donyatt Utd (4.30pm)
Farway Res v Lyme Regis Rovers (4.30pm)

Read Howard Larcombe's Perry Street League Review in the Independent

jack high bowls round-up

Hat trick! Merriott secure title

FENITON *with Roger Smith*
the ladies defeated TOPSHAM 28-22 in the over 50s league. The winning rink was J Smith, A Coyne & D Phillips 16-9.

The mixed team suffered a 65-59 defeat against visitors PHEAR PARK. The winning rinks were L Crook, S Kury & A Kury 20-14 and J Skinner, B Bowden & A Smith16-13. However, they had narrow 52-51 win over EXONIA. The only winning rink was J Wheatley, A Morgan, Ru Clarke & R North 18-10.

Meanwhile, Judy Smith, Avril Coyne, Di Phillips and Ruby Veitch were one of the section three rinks that won the **Intersection Bowls Devon Jubilee Trophy** at Torbay.

SEATON *with Alan Nicholas*
THE final week of the outdoor season saw the Finals Weekend opening on Saturday 9th September with the Semi-finals of the President's Cup.

These two matches each had a lady member playing against a man, with the winners facing each other in the Final. Dave Yardley and Roger Woolland prevailed in both games.

At the same time Ron Rowley beat Les Tooze in the final of the Saward Trophy.

Other results: Maria Johnson beat Chris Barradell in the Ladies 3 Wood Singles final, Richard Whitworth beat Terry Hurley-Smith in the Mens 3 Wood Singles Final and Tony Johnson & Roger Woolland defeat Dennis Ridd and Glen Elliott in The Ray Jeffries Trophy final.

Chris Barradell & Sue Dando beat Gill Sykes & Joan Miles in the Ladies Drawn Pairs.

Tony Johnson & Roger Woolland beat Ian Manchester & Dave Yardley in The Mens Drawn Pairs final

The Iris Amyes Trophy was contested between Sue Banwell-Moore & Di Morley and Maureen Woolf & Maria Johnson. This match had been in jeopardy because Sue was recovering after falling and fracturing her shoulder. However, she took to the green with her arm in a sling and amazingly she and Di won the match!

Dave Yardley beat Roger Woolland in the President's Cup. Graham Thomas beat Chris Barradell in the Jubilee Cup. Angie Mayhew beat Chrs Barradell in the Ladies Handicap. Terry Hurley Smith beat Peter Barradell in the Mens Handicap. Ruby Grigg beat Margaret Nicholas in the Harman Trophy. Dennis Ridd beat Ken Taylor (after extra end) in the Georeg Fossett Cup.

Maria Johnson beat Ann Joyner in Ladies Club Championship. Roger Wooland beat Don Yaxley in the Men's Club Championship. Pat Whitworth beat Chris Barradell in the Ladies 2 Wood Singles. Roger Wooland beat Don Yaxley in the Mens 2 Wood Singles. Roger Wooland beat Richard Whitworth in the Open 3 Wood singles. Lilian & Terry Hurley-Smith defeated Roger Woolland & Di Morley in the Ladies Invitation Pairs. Margaret Nicholas, Graham Thomas & Pat Whitworth beat David Millard, Chris Barradell & Ken Shean in the Open Mixed Triples.

The last friendly of the season brought a 66-61 win over Lyme Regis, top rink; Barbara Sluman, Sam Fox, Graham Thomas & Marian Vessey.

The Captain's Day tournament on Saturday brought the season to a close.

This was a mix of rinks and triples. The Captain's Prize went to the team with the best shot difference. The winners were, Norman Stone, Lilian Hurley-Smith & Dave Yardley.

■ **WELL PLAYED:** Honiton's Tracy Lambert, Di Hawkins, Janet Sherwood & Carole Binmore in one rink and Carole Pidgeon, Daphne Courtney, Yvonne Rayner & Sue Evans in the other, pictured with the Junior Vice President Margaret Jones and the runners up trophy.

HONITON *with Julie Grant*
HONITON adies won their county Interclub (double rink) semi final 42-26 against TIVERTON WEST END 42-26 at Culm Vale.

But they lost the final 47-31 against a team from KINGS.

Honiton had a splendid 88-38 win over DEVON MASONIC in a mixed friendly, top rink Ian Mackenzie, Berry Maynard & Jimmy Smith 27-4.

Presentation evening for the club competition finalists are scheduled for Saturday at 6.30.pm.

MERRIOTT *with Jean Crisp*
IT has been a busy, but successful, end to the outdoor season with four games in the space of a week.

On Thursday, September 7th Merriott played won a friendly at WELLINGTON by just one shot. Scores: J.Parsons, C.Truscott, J.Crisp & M.Oliver 13-12. R.Self, J.Churchman, S.Nuttall & M.Allen 18-16. D.Baker, P.Stow, B.Whitfield & D.Lewsey 16-20. N.Whitfield, C.Woods, J.Ashby & B.Dibble 16-16.

On Saturday, September 9th Merriott lost a home friendly against TAUNTON VIVARY. Scores: C.Truscott, C.Woods, J.Ashby & A.Bull 15-17. N.Whitfield, M.Allen,S.Howson-Green & T.Mortimer 9-25. I.Kendall, J.Crisp, B.Whitfield & J.Booth 13-23. A.Truscott, T.Jones, B.Dibble & V.Bull 14-18.

The following day Merriott won by seven shots gaining 14 points to clinch their third successive Wessex Mixed League title at SOUTH PETHERTON, scores: D.Baker, A.Truscott, P.White & E.Rush 17 R.Corbet 15. R.Self, N.Whitfield, J.Crisp & I.Kendall 15 L.Symes 11. J.Parsons, P.Stow, J.Churchman & C.Woods 16 P.Hutchings 24. C.Parsons, C.Truscott, A.Davies & T.Jones 21 C.Harris 12.

In the last game of the season Merriott defeated WESTLANDS 96-49 in a home league match gaining another 14 points, scores: J.Parsons, P.Stow, J.Churchman & A.Crompton 16 P.Lloyd 24. R.Self, N.Whitfield, P.White & M.Allen 27 G.Windeatt 3. D.Baker, A.Truscott, C.Warnett & E.Rush 28, S.Graham 10. C.Parsons, C.Truscott, A.Davies & J.Crisp 25 A.Agnew 12.

Finally, the delayed final of the **2 wood pairs** was won by John Parsons & David Heathcote. The runners-up were Ian Kendall & Arnold Crompton.

ILMINSTER *with Des Maull*
THE club finals were played on 16th and 17th September.

Men's results; Monelle Cup,4 Wood Club Championship - Winner Levi Hembrow, runner up, Jonathon Kingston; Woodhall Cup 4 wood Handicap Singles - Winner Dave Crouch, runner up, Tony Peterson; Spinks Cup 2 wood singles, - Winner Matt Hamilton, runner up, Tony Peterson; Des Jones Cup 4 wood over 60 singles, - Winner Dave Crouch, runner up, Alan Holt; Mermagen Cup, 4 wood Men's pairs - Winners Oli Collins & Tony Peterson, runners up Roy Orme & Jonathon Kingston; Simpson Cup 2 wood pairs - Winners Des Maull & Ian Lightfoot, runners up, Jo Morris & Barry Sims; Sutherland Cup 4 wood over 60s pairs - winners, Dave Hall & Dave Pugh, runners up, Des Maull & Eddie Reid; P Crabb Cup, 4 Wood non-winners - Winner Steve Peasland, runner up Tony Peterson;

■ **INVITE:** Ilminster's Oli Collins (11) has been call-up for an England Under 18 trial

Ladies results: Woodhall Cup,4 Wood Championship - Winner Maureen Mitchell, runner up, Val Dargue; Chiffers Cup, 2 Wood Singles - Winner Shannon Crouch, runner up, Maureen Mitchell; Fieldgate Cup, 4 wood pairs - winners Sam Wall & Maureen Mitchell, runners up, Val Dargue & Norma Pugh;

Mixed Competitions; Glad Patten Trophy, 4 Wood singles - Winner Angie Thompson, runner up Barry Sims; Scriven Cup, 4 Wood pairs - Winners Angie Thompson & Bev Brister, runners up, Sam Wall & Ian Lightfoot.

Oli Collins has been selected to attend the Bowls England Under 18 Youth Academy trial at Royal Leamington Spa at the end of September.

Oli is one of just 12 boys selected from across the country, and the only boy from Somerset.

In nominating him for selection, James Branfield, Somerset Under 25s Team Manager said: "Oli has had another progressive season playing consistently well and coming third overall in a strong field of players in Somerset's Under 18 singles tournament, which is outstanding for an 11-year-old!"

Oli started in Year 7 at Holyrood Academy, Chard this September.

Holyrood is well known for actively supporting a range of sports activities for its students. A school spokesman said: "We are delighted to have such an exceptionally talented student attending our school.

"We will support and encourage Oli in his endeavours to be the very best."

PB's at final meeting

CHARD & District Swimming Club recently attended the third and final junior League meet of the year.

Personal bests were achieved through relays and individual events by Josh Stansfield, Louis Rex, Andrew Cuthbert, Henry Birchill, Bella Young, Alice Clark, Suzie Rood, Esmeralda Huntley, Tatiana Pushkarev, Harrison Larcombe, Harry Byrnes, Freddie Coles, Emily Williams, Lily Sims and Jack Pellow.

Others team members; Darcie Cockburn, Seren Tollett, Josh Stansfield, Billy Stuttaford, Delilah Hutter, Charlotte Mansfield, Alara Jenkins, Edward Sims, Catherine Webb, Kaitlyn Flannigan, Grace Lambert, Mia Porter and Oliver Collins.

Chard club provides an environment for those who would like to develop their swimming either for fun and fitness or into competitions, sessions are held at chard, Axminster and Crewkerne.

For more information see www.chardswimmingclub.org.uk

AXMINSTER WINTER DART LEAGUE AGM

(Tonight - Tuesday - 8.30pm at Axminster Inn)

ANYONE wishing to enter a team, stand as an officer of the league or propose a rule change should attend the meeting.

Please note at present the league does not have a fixture secretary and unless this can be resolved at the meeting the league will not be able to continue.

Anyone who would be prepared to take on this role please attend the meeting

Anyone wishing to enter a team but cannot attend the meeting can contact us via the league website on www. axminster-darts.leaguerepublic.com or Call Esther on 07821007398 ebulmer@hotmail.co.uk

Misterton move on up

AFTER a successful campaign, losing just once, Misterton Men's A team gained promotion from the **Yeovil & District Tennis League** after finishing top of the Division Five doubles table by nine points from Sherborne D with South Petherton A a close third.

The Misterton Team Steve Beach, Roger Lacey and Mark Oppe (Captain) played in all the matches.

They were ably supported by Graham White, Bob Waterhouse and Russell Napier. Nic Darby and Michael O'Hagan also played an important part in ensuring promotion by playing in the latter half of the season.

Lacey was the best performing player in the Division winning 43 of his 51 sets.

skittles colyton

Div 1: Colyton Club A 341 (P Scotchford, R Tedbury 60) Cloakham A 366 (C Gibbard 66); New Inn A 341 (R Webb 60) Seaton FC A 332 (A Anning 63); Tuckers Arms B 289 (R Seward 54) Axminster Con A 319 (C Sharp, I Macdonald 57); Honiton Con D 407 (M Wheaton 78) Red Lion Cavaliers 369 (R Summers, W Phillips 71); Gerrard A 369 (D Hawkins 76) Vine B 353 (R Blackmore 68); Volunteer A 334 (M Gillard 66) Offwell A 295 (R Pincombe 59).

Div 2: Sidbury Lions 321 (N Anthony 63) Lamb A 338 (D Webb 74); Vine A 332 (C Every 59) Gerrard B 358 (J Tucker 71); Cloakham B 413 (B Garner 85) Sidmouth FC 383 (P Barham 69); Dolphin Vikings 414 (P Cobbold 78) Honiton WMC A 358 (S Pye 72); Wheelwright A 316 (Paul Squires 65) Eagle Tavern 301 (M Jackson 64); Colcombe A gave game to Honiton Converts.

Div 3: Three Tuns BTP 308 (Roz Williams 63) Rising Sun A 333 (T Churchill 62); Mountbatten Whites 360 (J Peace, P Bonetta 67) Kings Arms Beers 281 (M Archibold 60); Colcombe Beerboys 400 (S Bartlett 81) Red Lion Sidbury 355 (T Pares 72); White Hart B 343 (P Gibbins 71) Heathfield A 343 (D Pearse 67); Cloakham Wanderers 345 (C Coulson 65) Wilmington Harts 374 (S Land 77); Tuckers A 345 (M Huskins 62) Volunteer B 330 (S Isaac 64).

Div 4: Honiton Con A 323 (T Bennett 63) Colcombe B 344 (T Yates 69); Kings Arms A 314 (R Allen 59) Colyton Club B 345 (W Richards 69); Seaton FC B 357 (D Parks 70) New Inn B 329 (S Davey 63); Rising Sun B 347 (K White 64) Honiton ConArtists 342 (D Jones 62); Honiton WMC B 303 (O Butler 57) Colcombe Nomads 310 (P Easter 57); Axminster Inn A v Tuckers Arms C card not in.

Div 5: Kingfisher B 267 (A Hurford 55) Hook & Parrot Smugglers 265 (M Howe 48); Sidmouth Arms Kings 329 (D McCullum 60) Seaton Bowling 296 (Sally Denham, D Purrington 59); Hook & Parrot,Parrots 307 (J Miles 61) Dolphin Dolls 288 (Emma Westlake 56); Wilmington Spares 345 (G Richards 71) Millwey Misfits 362 (S Featherstone 73); Offwell B 360 (A Olive 65) Tuckers Arms D 376 (Annie Bennett 70); Heathfield B 335 (Gill Quick 64) White Hart A 382 (B Parr 81).

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motor sport windwhistle

Stevens defies wet weather

WINDWHISTLE Motor Club of Chard has held its second September Autumn Trial at Parkhayne Farm at Shute Devon.

The challenge was to negotiate a series of marked out twisting routes on hills and slopes of varying severity.

The competitor who gets the farthest up hills, whilst hitting the least number of route marker posts, wins.

The event attracted 21 entries in vehicles ranging from everyday road cars to modified specialist trial cars. This year's overall winner was Duncan Stevens in his Vauxhall Nova.

The Club would like to express its thanks to the land owner Mr Brian Chidley who gave the use of his land and provided the use of a "Shooters Cabin" for use as event HQ.

As the weather took a turn for the worse toward the end of the day, the cabin proved to be a very handy shelter for the event organisers.

Brian Chidley who was also an entrant in the trial was very pleased to finish the event as second in his class in a Marlin.

As Mr. Chidley provided use of the venue free of charge the club arranged a collection for Brian's favourite charity, Cancer Research UK which raised £163.30.

Details of the clubs events can be found at www.windwhistlemotorclub.com or on the club's facebook page.

■ **WINNER:** Duncan Stevens (centre), Paul Brooks, Secretary of Meeting (left) and Nick Farmer Clerk of Course.

cribbage honiton

RESULTS (Sept 14th): New Fountain 5 Feniton Soc B 3, Six Bells 4 Vine Inn B 4, Thirsty Farmer 1 Workingmens B 7, Vine Inn A 2 Blacksmith Arms 6, Workingmens A 2 Honiton Conservative Club 6.

Fixtures (Sept 21st): Feniton Soc B v Six Bells, Honiton Conservative Club v Feniton Soc A, New Fountain v Vine Inn A, Vine Inn B v Thirsty Farmer,Workingmens B v Workingmens A.

Captains Cup: Audrey Hawkins 0 Steve Pettitt 1, Brenda Flood 1 Julie Davis 0, Lionel Hawkins 1 Dudley Frood 0, Lorraine White 1 Rita Freemantle 0, Mike Dent 1 Hedley Hawkins 0.

cribbage lyme regis

Results (September 11th) New Inn Kilm A 4 Dolphin 1, Nags Head 2 Colyton Club 3, Stepps o Ship LR 5, Gerrard Arms 2 Lamb Swans 3, New Inn Kilm B 2 Ax Con Club 3.

Beer League: New Inn Kilm A 4 Dolphin 1, Nags Head 2 Colyton Club 3, Stepps o Ship LR 5, Gerrard Arms 2 Lamb Swans 3, New Inn Kilm B 2 Ax Con Club 3.

Fixtures *(Sept 25th)*: Ship LR v Talbot Arms, New Inn Kilm A v Gerrard Arms, Nags Head v Lamb Swans, Colyton Club v New Inn Kilm B, Dolphin, Ax Con Club.

League Table	Pld	Pts
Axminster Con Club	2	7
Lamb Swans	2	6
Dolphin Beer	2	6
Nags Head	2	6
Ship LR	2	6
New Inn Kilm A	1	4
Colyton Club	1	3
Gerrard Arms	2	3
New Inn Kilm B	1	2
Talbot Arms	1	2
Stepps	2	0

Beer Lge	Pld	Pts
Axminster Con Club	2	4
Dolphin Beer	2	4
Colyton Club	1	3
Lams Swans	2	3
Ship Inn LR	2	3
New Inn Kilm A	1	2
Talbot Arms	1	2
Nags Head	2	2
Gerrard Arms	2	2
New Inn Kilm B	1	1
Stepps	2	1

tee off golf

Hole in one helps ladies to win

■ **FILL IT UP:** Brian Thompson (left), Seniors Captain Dave Bruce (centre) and Rob Heard with the Ron Millar claret jug at Axe Cliff

HONITON

with Ann Desmoulins

THE Seniors played the rearranged home leg of the match against TIVERTON last week, and recorded a 4-1 win.

The course being closed to buggies at the time, meant that one match had to be cancelled. This ruling extended into the Friday competition so several members had to withdraw.

Over 50 did compete and it was the team of Peter Clarke, Alan Devenny & David Anderson which come out on top with 74 points. Roger Matthews, Mike Delaney & Bill Spice (our oldest playing member of 94 years) were second with 67, third were John Pawley, Alex Neil & John Frith (66) and Tony Williams, George Smith & Tony Proudfoot fourth (62). Seven players received five new balls after carding 2s.

A magnificent hole-in-one at the second by Linda Northover helped her team secure victory on Tuesday.

The WOODEN SPOON is a hotly contested 18 per side match between the ladies and gentlemen playing in pairs and with a better ball format.

With eight results in, the score was 4-4, however victory for the ladies in the last match ensured that the blue ribbons were fixed to the trophy once again.

The Ladies played part one of the DEL CUP, an 18-hole Stableford competition.

The weather did its best to disrupt proceedings. The greens were very difficult to gauge as there was a lot of water just under the surface making putting very tricky.

In first place in Silver Division was Olwen Eaton (35pts), second was Henrietta Bradshaw (31) on countback from Jackie Seager.

Bronze One winner was Janet Hughes (36), second was Lesley Farley (32) and Penny Blackburn (30) was third.

Bronze Two was won by Cathy Pawley (29), second was Cherry Liell (25).

The nine-hole Stableford was won by Linda Northover with 15 points, Catherine Hunt was second with 12.

CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

A TOTAL of 25 seniors entered the September Individual in mixed blustery conditions last Monday qualifying stableford competition.

Only Terry Rutherford mastered the conditions returning a below par score of 39 points, assisted by scoring four points on the 16th by virtue of a hole-in-one.

Result: 1st Terry Rutherford (39pts), 2nd Toss Smith (34), 3rd Tony Stenhouse (34).

Meanwhile, 42 seniors entered the three man bowmaker with the yellow ball variation on Wednesday. Four teams managed to lose the yellow ball.

Result: 1st Dave Walgrove; Martin Putland & D Taylor 117pts, 2nd Ron White; John Evans & Danny Dowell 117, 3rd Norman-Markby; John Chance & Peter Spencer-Farr 115.

There were 39 entrants in the Friday bowmaker.

Result: 1st Maurice Arnold; Paul Prendergast & Chris Gingell 75pts, 2nd Alan Chance; Robin Flower & J McDonald 73, 3rd M Sanders; D Mugridge & R White 72.

AXE CLIFF

with Peter Motsom

LAST Monday the Ladies travelled to Libbaton for the Sheelah Creasy semi finals where they met FINGLE GLEN where it was a showery and windy day and the fairways were sodden.

The ladies battled hard but in the end Fingle Glen were the stronger team and won through to the Finals day.

Great effort

Despite only having a small ladies section, Axe Cliff beat 20 other Devon clubs to reach the semi finals - no mean feat.

On Wednesday the Ladies played for the PAR CUP. Windy weather making the conditions, especially on the back nine, difficult.

The winner was Helen Kenworthy with was one over par, Jill Wellington (+3) was second Stella Thompson (+5) third.

On Friday Jill Wellington & Margaret Kenchington and Stella Thompson & Pauline Willis represented the club at the COUNTY EXPRESS & ECHO FOURSOMES competition at Torquay.

Stella & Pauline were the better placed of the ACGC pairs and finished in mid-table.

The Seniors competed for the RON MILLAR CLARET JUG on Friday which was won by Brian Thompson & Rob Heard with 69 points

Dave Weston & Bill Polley (67) were second and Stuart Mackie & Adrian Bishop third with 62.

Chris Walker & Rob Grove also scored 62ND finished fourth. Tony Strong carded a pair of 2s.

The Men's section recently played their GEOFF DAVIS TROPHY, format stableford.

First place was taken by Bradley Price with 42pts, Stuart Mackie (37) was second and Nigel Pritchard (36) third. Pritchard, Dave Morgan and Cyril Hellier (2) all carded 2s.

starter's orders running news

AVR's dominate Seaton parkrun

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

with Chris O'Keefe

THERE was almost a AVR clean sweep at the SEATON PARKRUN on Saturday.

The first three women home were AVRs; Karen Eyre, Carol Austin and Holly Eyre while the first two men were AVRs Oliver Rodger and Matt Hewer followed by Jon Garrity of Exmouth Harriers in third.

Best age grades were recorded by visitors Colin Rathbone and Graham Stone and AVR Carol Austin.

Last Sunday Sue Wall managed 2hr 23min 55secs in the great GREAT NORTH RUN her first half marathon.

A group of members travelled to YEOVILTON for the final 5k race on Wednesday. First AVR home was Jake Smith (2nd overall, 15.24) followed by Ollie Caute (6th, 16.12), Matt Clist (13th, 16.53), Ollie Rodger (34th 18.15), Matt Hewer (36th, 18.22) and Josh Hopson (41st in 18.47).

On Sunday four member took on the BRISTOL HALF MARATHON. Results; Joanna Hawkins (2397th in 1.49.37), Ragnihild Richards (3112th, 1.54.52), Michelle Bee (5318th, 2.11.56) Amy Hillier (5793rd, 2.16.54).

On Sunday 17th September Two Axe Valley Runners travelled to Torbay for the TORBAY SPRINT DISTANCE TRI. This was a 400m Pool Swim/15km Bike/5km event.

Results; Jon Day (30th/162 - 57.25mins, Swim 9.48/Bike 25.21/Run 20.28 - 7th in age cat). Antony Chadwick (45th - 59.49, 9.30/25.38/22.51, 15th in AC).

Finally, Luke Reed competed in the WEYMOUTH IRONMAN 70.3 finishing 171st with a total time of 5.07.36 (swim 33.31, bike 2.50.14, half marathon 1.34.51) knocking four minutes off from last year.

CHARD RUNNING CLUB

with Paul Masters

CHARD Road Runners were out in smaller numbers at the weekend with solo representatived at the Weymouth Half Triathlon and the Swanage Purbeck Marathon

Jim Wagstaff took on the gruelling Half Triathlon finishing 994th out of 2,453 entrants with splits of; Swim: 1.2mile, 46m 15s, Bike: 56miles, 3h 19m 23s and Run: 13.1miles 6h 09m 23s)

Paul Masters ran the Purbeck Marathon which started in Swanage and took in Kimmeridge, Tyneham's deserted village and Corfe Castle, finishing in 4h 35m 23s.

skittles

Axminster League

Men's Knock Out Cup: Colcombe B 399 Useless Tuckers 416.

Men's League Division One: Thorncombe B 360 (S Staples 69) v Thorncombe A 357 (M Stead 65) Ax Con Rebels 301 (W Phillips 56) v Sidmouth Arms 289 (D Patch N Parris 54) Wootton Cowboys 347 (P Studley S Forsey 63) v Red Lion D 333 (S Ellis D Herbert 60) Red Devils 406 (R Summers 73) v B & G's 404 (M Rockett P Garner 76) Green Army 364 (M Pidgeon 77) v Kingfisher Feds 403 (P Squire 86) Lamb Spartans 318 (C Miller 60) v Wootton Sherberts 298 (L Baker 54).

Division Two: Ax Inn Jokers 342 (A Churchill 69) v Gerrard A 321 (J Richards R Collier 58) Old Inn Kilm A 359 (A Cross 64) v Ax Inn B 344 (R Summers A Beer 63) Colcombe A 446 (T Underdown 97) v W H Warriors 396 (M McGarrigle 72) W H Wilm A 355 (K Moran 66) v Ax Con Club A 371 (A Thomas 74).

Division Three: Gerrard B 350 (G Holland 63) v Ax Inn A 325 (S Fifer B Margetts 60) Lamb Shanks 323 (R Lancashire P Herrod 60) v W H Wilm B 302 (S Herrin 56) Ax FC Half-cuts 380 (N Herrod 70) v Lamb A 407 (D Weston 86) Kings Arms Seaton 347 (W Doble 69) v Cloakham Stars 323 (D Baker 65) KingWingers 354 (W Curnoe 73) v Ax FC A 282 (R Thresher 50).

Division Four: New Inn B 319 (S Adlam 59) v Ax FC B 302 (W Apsey 62) Tuckers Oldboys 283 (R Herbert 55) v Kingfisher A 312 (A Neal-Hopes 61) Ship Rotary 359 (O Turton 69) v Gerrard C 325 (B Knight 60).

Ladies League Division One: Colcombe Girls 327 (S Marks S Webber E Jones M Elworthy 57) v Tuckers B 337 (A Bennett 63) Wotnots 252 (A Williams 48) v Bees Knees 232 (R Grigg S Russell K Lloyd-Hughes 46) Red Lion A 330 (C Spiller 67) v Cloakham A 354 (W Kiy 71) Colcombe A 401 (H Ogden 75) v New Inn A 395 (G Collier 77).

Division Two: Tuckers A 268 (F White 50) v Colcombe Angels 270 (A Pearce 54) Seaton FC 328 (M Dack 64) v Colcombe B 296 (S Chaplin 65) Gerrard Guzzlers 325 (M Smith 64) v Ax Inn Allsorts 288 (P Kowal 53) B&Js Cloakham 302 (B Sluman 60) v Red Lion Rabble 355 (T Hooper 69) Thorncombe Newtops 303 (K Churchill 63) v Ax FC Battleaxes 306 (S Bennett 55).

◆ *Please note White Hart Colyford have withdrawn from Men's Division Four. Please treat all league and cup fixtures as a bye.*

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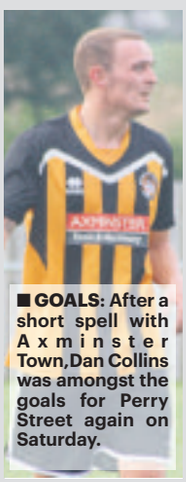

■ **GOALS:** After a short spell with Axminster Town, Dan Collins was amongst the goals for Perry Street again on Saturday.

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Top two end all square

Chard 13 Kingsbridge 13
Western Counties West

A VERY well contested Western Counties (West) rugby encounter finished honours even with the draw probably, on balance, being the right result *writes Glyn Hughes.*

Chard went into Saturday's league game without six reulars because of knocks received in previous games, but Coach Jim Wagstaff will have been encouraged by the endeavours of those players who came into the side.

Captain Ryan Helliar is fast becoming ' Mr Utility' and turned out at scrum half in this game while James Twigg was back at fly half for his first senior match for three seasons.

Visitors Kingsbridge had all the early play and territorially were well on top but the Chard defence led by flanker Jason Wrightheld strong.

The pressure from Kingsbridge eventually told and a well worked move down the blindside resulted in visiting skipper Ben Glover crossing close to the posts.

The conversion was surprisingly missed and in the final analysis this would prove crucial.

Chard replied with a penalty from Charlie Roberts and the remainder of the half was fairly evenly contested as the visitors held on to their narrow 5-3 advantage at the interval.

Fly half Banfield kicked a long range penalty in the opening minutes of the second half to increase the lead to five points.

But a superb period by the Chard pack resulted in a terrific push over try with Max Gosden getting the credit.

Roberts converted to put Chard ahead for the first time and then kicked a penalty to increase the lead.

In a frantic encounter, the hosts missed several kicks to touch which only added to the pressure.

A dramatic finish saw three players sent to the bin (two from Chard) and Kingsbridge levelled the scores when replacement Stu Winzer crashed over.

To the relief of the home supporters the conversion, which would have won the game for The Kings, was missed.

A draw was a very fair result which also means that these two teams currently sit at the top of the table.

A solid performance from Chard but they will be hoping that at least some of their injured players will be available for selection next week.

■ **STANDING STRONG:** Chard's James Twigg (black shirt) withstands a Kingsbridge attack. *Photo by JAMES BROWN PHOTOGRAPHY*

Glovers by numbers

Sky Bet League Div Two (46)	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Exeter City	8	7	1	0	16	6	10	22
Notts County	8	6	1	1	13	7	6	19
Accrington Stanley	8	5	1	2	17	11	6	16
Luton Town	8	4	2	2	17	9	8	14
Mansfield Town	8	3	4	1	13	8	5	13
Coventry City	8	4	1	3	9	5	4	13
Cambridge Utd	8	4	1	3	7	7	0	13
Swindon Town	8	4	1	3	11	12	-1	13
Newport County	8	3	3	2	11	8	3	12
Lincoln City	8	3	3	2	10	7	3	12
Stevenage	8	3	3	2	13	11	2	12
Wycombe Wanderers	8	3	3	2	14	13	1	12
Grimsby Town	8	4	0	4	12	15	-3	12
Barnet	8	3	2	3	12	9	3	11
Crewe Alexandra	8	3	2	2	10	6	4	11
Morecambe	8	2	3	3	8	10	-2	9
Colchester United	8	2	2	4	12	14	-2	8
Carlisle Utd	8	2	2	4	9	14	-5	8
YEOVIL TOWN	**8**	**2**	**2**	**4**	**13**	**20**	**-7**	**8**
Crawley Town	8	2	1	5	8	10	-2	7
Cheltenham Town	8	2	1	5	8	12	-4	7
Forest Green Rovers	8	1	2	5	10	20	-10	5
Chesterfield	8	1	2	5	7	17	-10	5
Port Vale	8	1	1	6	6	12	-6	4

Top scorers (all comps)
1. Francois Zoko 5
2. Olufela Olomola 4
3. Otis Khan 2

Most Bookings
1= Connor Smith 2
1= Olufela Olomola 2
1= Sid Nelson 2
1= Nathan Smith 2

Appearances
1= Francois Zoko 8
1= James Bailey 8
1= Ryan Dickson 8
1= Artur Krysiak 8
1= Nathan Smith 8
2= Otis Khan 7
3= Connor Smith 6
3= Olufela Olomola 6
3= Bevis Mugabe 6
4. Sid Nelson 5

What's next? Upcoming fixtures

Saturday, Sept 23rd v PORT VALE (H, 3pm) Lge 2
Tuesday, Sept 26th v Chesterfiled (A, 7.45pm ko) Lge 2
Saturday, Sept 30th v COLCHESTER (H, 3pm) Lge 2
Saturday, Oct 7th v Newport County (A, 3pm) Lge 2
Saturday, Oct 14th v CREWE ALEXANDRA (H, 3pm) Lge 2
Tuesday, Oct 17th v Cambridge Utd (A, 7.45pm) Lge 2

Frost lands RS Tera Open title at Sutton Bingham

EIGHT local sailors competed for the honour of Sutton Bingham Sailing Club Tera Champion recently.

Wind conditions were predominantly light, but punctuated with frequent bands of rain accompanied by stronger gusts.

Former RS Tera sailor Andrew Frost, fresh from victory at the RS Aero Worlds and UK Nationals, returned for the day, along with fellow Aero sailor Ben Poe and Max Robertson who has recently transitioned to the Laser Radial.

There was close tactical racing with Frost and Robertson battling it out in some tough duels and Ben Poe in the mix with a second in the first race.

But the regatta was decided in race two. A momentary loss of control caused Robertson to make contact with a rounding mark allowing Dillon Hodge to get through and clinch second place.

Frost won race three which meant Robertson needed a win in race four to get back into contention and, although both he and Frost exchanged places several times at the front of the fleet, it was Frost who came out on top, covering Robertson's every move.

Robertson sat the last race out, tired after the previous night's dinghy instructors end of season party, which he may have come to regret as Hodge's win in the final race secured second overall for him on countback.

Overall result: 1st Andrew Frost, 2nd Dillon Hodge, 3rd Max Robertson, 4th John Hodge, 5th Ben Poe, 6th Issy Hodge, 7th Eleanor Thomas, 8th Kate Thomas.

■ **IN HIS SIGHTS:** Andrew Frost (right) hunts down Max Robertson

■ **FIRST PLACE:** Race Officer, Chris Jones congratulates Andrew Frost on winning the Sutton Bingham RS Tera Open Meeting

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